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KUNG DRAWS UP NEW LAWS ON SILVER IMPORTS

Measures To Stop Smuggling

RULES FOR INTERNAL TRANSPORTATION

Nanking, To-day.

In order to facilitate the transportation of silver within the country and to prevent smuggling abroad, the Finance Minister, Dr. H. H. Kung, has announced the following measures governing permits for transportation.

1.—Applications for permits from banks and commercial firms in Shanghai or the capital should be addressed to the Finance Ministry.

2.—Permits for other parts of the country will be issued by the local Superintendent of Customs, who will submit reports to the Ministry regarding the destinations and amount of silver every 10 days. Permits, after serving their purpose, should be withdrawn and forwarded to the Ministry for cancellation.

3.—Applications by banks and commercial firms placed with the Customs should be accompanied with certificates from a local banking association, a native bankers guild, or chamber of commerce.

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LOCAL DOLLAR STEADY

Silver Prices Improve

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand yesterday morning at 1/8 1/2.

Spot and forward silver prices have improved 3/16, closing at 24-9/16 and 24-11/16, respectively.

The London on New York cross-rates was quoted at £-U.S.\$4.93%, as compared with £-U.S.\$4.93%.

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AMERICA'S SILVER IMPORTS

New York, to-day.—The Chamber of Commerce states that United States silver imports for the week ending December 21 were U.S.\$2,465,429, including U.S.\$2,178,54 from the United Kingdom, U.S.\$177,083 from Peru, and U.S.\$23,404 from Chile.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

REVENUE ACT EFFECTIVE AS FROM MARCH 15

Washington, to-day.—It is learned that the 1934 revenue act, requiring the publication of individual and corporate incomes will become effective on March 15.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

King Carol Ready To Make Settlement On Madam Lupescu

VIENNA, Dec. 25.—King Carol of Rumania, according to advices received to-day from Bucharest by the foreign legations here, is prepared to settle a large sum on the exiled Mme. Lupescu, if she will leave the country.

High officials of the Balkan nation are believed to be behind the effort to induce "Rumania's uncrowned queen" to depart from the political scene.

Meanwhile, detectives have been guarding the former junk dealer's



Reichsfuehrer Adolf Hitler went outside the Nazi party to name Herr Karl Goerdeler, Burgomaster of Leipzig as food dictator of the Reich. Herr Goerdeler was given powers to check the profiteering and hoarding threatening Germany because of the restrictions in imports, and is the first official identified with a former government in Germany to be given a high post in the Hitler regime.

AMERICAN 1935 OUTLOOK FAVOURABLE

FORECASTS OF HIGH EXECUTIVES

CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM THE DOMINANT NOTE

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.—(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894. Received December 31, 10.35 a.m.)

New York, To-day.

High executives foresee a further improvement in 1935.

The general attitude, however, is cautiously optimistic. "General Motors," says Mr. Alfred Fritchard Sloan, the president, "should be somewhat better than in 1934."

Mr. R. B. White, President of the Western Union Telegraph Company, states that "prospects are better, providing that the present growing confidence continues without serious interruption," while Mr. Gerard Swope, President of the General Electric Company, says "we look forward to a continued improvement in business."

Mr. Walter Tower, executive secretary of the Steel Institute, says, "the outlook for the steel industry appears somewhat more favourable than last year."

Wall Street operators are praying that Congress will not disturb confidence, especially with so-called investigations "which accomplish nothing except to upset business," and hope that Congress will concentrate on recovery.

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WOMAN HANGS HERSELF

The body of Lam Mui, a Chinese woman residing at a matchbox on the hillside above Tai Hang Village, was removed to the Public Mortuary after it was found hanging in the matchbox yesterday.

3 OFFICERS DISMISSED

FOLLOW UP ON ACTION IN LOCAL SHIPPING DISPUTE

Protest Letters To Foreign Consuls

GUILD ULTIMATUM TO YUET ON OWNERS

Owing to their refusal to obey orders to sail yesterday at 3 p.m., the three European Officers, Capt. T. L. Brown, Chief Officer J. S. Kirkpatrick, and Chief Engineer L. Paine, of the s.s. Chuen Chow were dismissed and asked to sign off this morning by the owners, who advertised this morning for substitutes.

It will, however, be difficult to engage new officers as the river boat is sailing under the British flag, and under the circumstances the owners are bound to employ only British Officers.

Captain W. E. Kirby, Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild, has written to the German Consul and the Norwegian Consul, protesting against their respective subjects who are now employed on the s.s. Chuen Chow and who are accepting rates lower than the arbitration scale of wages.

Another letter has been written to the owner of the s.s. Yuet On demanding, immediately, complete and unprejudiced reinstatement of the officers who were discharged, and that if by noon to-morrow no reply is received, the owners will be entirely responsible for whatever may arise.

Over 20 applicants applied for the posts of captain, mate, and engineer, advertised by the Chuen On Steam Boat Company this morning, but none were found suitable as they were not of British nationality.

Later.

FORTHCOMING MARRIAGE

The forthcoming marriage is announced between Mr. A. F. Powell, of the Chinese Maritime Customs, Customs House, Hankow, Yunnan, and Phoebe Mugford, of 124, Gloucester Road, second floor, Hong Kong.



Scenes at the inauguration of General Lazaro M. Cardenas as 19th President of the Republic of Mexico. The retiring president, General Abelardo Rodriguez (left), embraces his successor, and at the right General Cardenas takes the oath of office in the National Stadium in Mexico City. President Cardenas is 59 years old.

AMERICA ON EVE OF CONGRESS

Problems Of Relief Dominant

15 PER CENT. OF NATION DEPENDENT

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.—(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894. Received December 31, 10.35 a.m.)

Washington, To-day.

The financial problems connected with relief dominate the atmosphere on the eve of the meeting of Congress.

With an estimated 15 per cent. of the nation's population dependent on relief, foreign questions, including naval and Far Eastern developments, with their repercussions on the United States, and the position of the Philippines under the Hawes-Cutting Bill, loomed large, but took a secondary level.

The inflationists and silverites are preparing to urge new monetary reforms to stimulate business, which, however, (Continued on Page 9.)

The China Mail takes this opportunity of wishing all its readers a Happy and Prosperous New Year. The next issue of China Mail will be published on Wednesday, January 2.

CARDINAL BOURNE IN CRITICAL CONDITION

Signs Of Heart Failure Now Declared More Pronounced

London, To-day.

His Eminence Cardinal Bourne, Archbishop of Westminster, is in a critical condition, having lost strength in the last few days. The signs of heart failure are now more pronounced.—Reuter.

SELECT COMMITTEE REPORT DENOUNCED

Unacceptable And Illusory

Poona, To-day.

The annual meeting of the National Liberal Federation has unanimously adopted a resolution that the Select Committee's report is unacceptable and illusory and that no enactment based thereon can be acceptable.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI POLICE APPOINTMENT

General Wen Chao-chi As Superintendent

General Wen Chao-chi, the newly appointed Commissioner of Police of Shanghai, is scheduled to assume his office to-morrow. General Wen returned to Shanghai only recently from Wuhu.—Chekai Agency.

Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was this morning imposed on Leung Ming, unemployed, by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy, for larceny of six pocket books, the property of Tiao Soung-liang, a salesman, of No. 35 Queen's Road Central.

OIL CONCESSION GRANTED

WHOLE TERRITORY OF KOWAIT SHEIKH

ANGLO-AMERICAN GROUP TO HAVE SOLE RIGHTS

Baghdad, To-day.

The Sheikh of Kowait has signed an oil concession covering the whole of his territory, granting sole rights to an Anglo-American group, stated to be a combination of two powerful oil concerns, including the Anglo-Persian Oil Co.

Development is to begin immediately.—Reuter.

TAX BONDS FOR INCOME

Only Motive Explains Ashurst.

Washington, to-day.

Senator Henry F. Ashurst, Arizona Democrat, said that there were plans being formulated to introduce a constitutional amendment for the prohibiting of the issuance of Federal State municipal tax exempt securities. He explained that they do not want tax bonds themselves, but merely the income to be derived from them.—United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

COMPOSITOR GAOLED

In spite of the plea that he stole unintentionally, Tsang Ming, an unemployed compositor, was sentenced to one month's hard labour by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning for the theft of 88 pieces of type from No. 8 Gage Street.

While fishing with dynamite, Chan Shiu, owner of junk No. 5308C, was injured and taken to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday for treatment.

Paris World's Fair Of 1937 To Centre Round Eiffel Tower

Profound international importance is attached to the Paris "World's Fair" of 1937, plans for which have finally been completed.

Primarily the exposition is designed to give a new impulse to the economic activity not only of France but of other nations, as well. A gigantic effort will be made to make it a fresh point of departure for a revival of an intensification of commercial, industrial and tourism between all countries.

But almost equal significance is

attributed to another aspect of the exposition: the opportunity it provides for presenting France anew to the rest of the world in a favourable light, in other words, putting France's best foot forward.

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Kurt Grohman, 27-year-old German seaman, died at the Kowloon Hospital early on Sunday morning. The deceased, who was employed on the freighter Dornier, fell several feet down the No. 1 hold on Saturday night sustaining injuries that later proved fatal.

SPEAKER IN HOSPITAL

INFORMATION REFUSED BY POLICE FORCE

CHAUFFEUR FIRES REVOLVER

THEN THE TROUBLE STARTED

Saarbruecken, To-day.

The calm which has hitherto prevailed was broken yesterday at Pliesscastel when a meeting of the Catholic Front was dispersed by the police, following a fight in the hall in which chairs were used as weapons.

The chief speaker, Herr Imbusch, who was formerly a Reichstag deputy and who is now President of the Christian Trades Unions, was taken to hospital suffering from head wounds.

The police are refusing information, but it is understood that they have arrested the chauffeur of the editor of the anti-German Front newspaper "Neu Saar Post," alleging that he fired a revolver, which started the trouble.—Reuter.

SAAR SENSATION

Concentration Camp Story Denied

DESCRIBED AS OUTRAGE AND FAIRY STORY

Saarbruecken, To-day. The affidavit of Wilhelm Fischer, former Welfare Secretary of the Deutsche Front, about the concentration camp at Neuenkirchen is described as an atrocity and a fairy tale by Herr Buerckel, Hitler's Commissioner for the Saar, who adds that Fischer was expelled from the Deutsche Front.—Reuter.

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SUPREME COURT MARRIAGE

Tan Man-tok — Chang Wai-ping

The marriage took place this morning at the Supreme Court Registry of Tan Man-tok, Engineer, of No. 44 Hankow Road, Kowloon, and Miss Chang Wai-ping, of the Shanghai Hotel, Macao.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated at the ceremony in the presence of United States Vice-Consul Mr. John Cochran Pool, who was one of the witnesses.

WEATHER FORECAST

North-east winds, fresh, cloudy generally with some drizzle or light rain, probably improving, was the weather forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.



The Swastika flag of Nazi Germany, the flag of old Germany, and the French tricolor, are displayed in the main street in Saarbruecken to indicate victory in the coming plebiscite to determine whether the rich Saar basin territory will join Germany or France, or remain under the League of Nations' mandate.

MAIL SCHEDULES

The Postmaster General announces that as from 1st November the Parcel Post rates to the United Kingdom will be reduced to:

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Private letter-boxes may now be rented at the Kowloon Post Office. Full information regarding them may be obtained from the Officer in charge of that office.

NEW YEAR CARDS

New Year cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, i.e., 4 cents per 2 ounces. Envelopes must not be closed.

INWARD MAILS.

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Momon 2
Burawan 4
Empress of Canada 4

FROM STRAITS & INDIA Jan.
Nellere 2

OUTWARD MAILS.
FOR EUROPE Jan.
Burdwan (via Marseilles) 4
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FOR AMERICA Jan.
Bokuyo Maru 4

FOR JAPAN Jan.
Bokuyo Maru 4
Hakozaki Maru 4

FOR SHANGHAI Jan.
Suiyang 2
Hakozaki Maru 4
Bokuyo Maru 4
Conte Rosso 6

FOR MANILA Jan.
Emp. of Canada 4

FROM INDIA Jan.
Hawaii Maru 2
Hakone Maru 4

FOR STRAITS Jan.
Hawaii Maru 2
Burdwan 4
Hakone Maru 4

VIA SIBERIA—Letters and post-cards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superimposed.

REGISTERED AND PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given above unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

AIR MAIL—Imperial Airways via Singapore, Bandung-Amsterdam via Singapore, Saigon-Marseilles via Saigon. Correspondence for Europe and intermediate countries will be accepted for transmission by these services. Rates and all particulars are shown in the schedules exhibited at the General Post Office and Kowloon Office. All letters etc., must be marked "By Air Mail" and handed in at the General Post Office. Unless superimposed for despatch by a special air mail service, correspondence will be forwarded by the first service available.

The Woman's Page

Elbow Conscions

Beauty Experts And The Three Quarter Sleeves

London.
How much a woman's elbows may be a give away of her age and character is disclosed by a woman specialist in Park-lane, who maintains that most women are just as old as their elbows. She has always at hand bleaching treatments, anti-wrinkles treatments, and feeding-up treatments for elbows of all age. With the vogue of the three-quarter sleeve women are becoming, definitely "elbow-conscious."

The best bleach is pure undiluted lemon juice, squeezed over the elbow, and not wiped off, but massaged in with skin food for the over-thin elbow, and anti-wrinkle creams for the more elderly elbow. These creams are now put up in bottles with the labels ingeniously arranged, so that they cannot either rub off or get smeared.

Then the elbows are washed in soft water into which toilet oatmeal has been dissolved, with flaked Castle soap. No soda or spirit of any kind must be allowed to touch the skin of the elbow, which is especially sensitive—not a surprising fact considering all the pressure that women put upon them.

"Make-Up"
Eight or ten minutes' immersion in the water is followed by a drying with a soft towel and an astringent treatment to tone up the skin. Pads of cotton-wool soaked in astringent are bound on to each elbow loosely so as not to impede the circulation and during the half-hour that this toning is taking effect women can have their manicure or a face cleansing treatment with their arms at rest. After this the elbows are "made-up" with talc powder.

Specially devised for the home treatment of the elbows are long gloves that cover the elbow, of a loosely woven pink washable material made for a beauty authority in Grafton-street. To improve the texture of the skin on the elbows she has a paste that is rubbed in to the skin, after rinsing it with warm water, with a circular movement of the fingers. Straps on the gloves make them adjustable to all sizes.

Gooseflesh Problem
Gooseflesh on the upper arms and elbows is a complaint of the debutante which is now dealt with seriously in the beauty salons by experts. One method is to soak the arm and elbow for half an hour before dressing to go out to a dance in a thick pulp of cucumbers which contains no glycerine and cannot encourage hair growth. This is followed by a rub with a hygienic cream specially compounded to heal, and a make-up with a liquid powder in the No. 1 rachel shade.

This ivory white effect should last through a whole dance, and before going to bed the debutante must remember to leave a film over her arms and elbows of a cream of cucumbers combined with wool fat, the latter being the closest ally to the fat of the human skin.



One of the most interesting colour combinations of the season is found in this attractive evening wrap displayed so becomingly by Elizabeth Allan, screen actress. The coat is butter ermine, the large shawl collar of sable.

UNOBTRUSIVE MAKE-UP

In the matter of unobtrusive make-up, you must be very clever with your eyes, for, more than anything, your eye beautifiers will give you away.

You can apply the merest trace of cold cream or Vaseline to the lids and to your brows, and use it to tip up your lashes. If you are fair, use a dark ointment for this. Then there are mascaras and eyebrow pencils in ash blonde, blonde, brown, russet, and chain colours. Any of these will merely accentuate line and length without giving an artificial appearance.

FOR YOUR NIGHTCAP

Hot lemon or orange drinks last thing at night are easily made with the help of a juice press with a slotted tray, which prevents pips or pulp from finding their way into the glass. An inexpensive edition of this gadget has just made its appearance.

FOR GIRLS

The smart street suit, at least for youth, is short of jacket and skirt. Both, or either, can be slit to allow of a tight fit and a sleek trim appearance. The hip-length coat can be single or double-breasted, collarless, and severely simple.

Fancy Work With "Finish"

Many women consider that, when the last thread of it has been cut, they have only to iron a piece of embroidery and it will be finished. When the iron falls to remove the inevitable small puckers, they say it can't be helped.

First of all, if the material is delicate, tack a bordering strip of canvas or strong linen round the embroidery. Then get ready a sheet of thick blotting paper a little larger than the part to be pressed, a drawing board or other firm surface, and some rustproof drawing pins.

Place the blotting paper on the drawing board and thoroughly wet it. Lay your embroidery over that and pin down one side, stretching it to the utmost and inserting a drawing pin about every inch. Next pin down the side at right angles to that, and keep stretching in the same manner. Complete the tacking down of the sides until the square enclosed is as tight as a drum and all the wrinkles have disappeared.

Leave the stitchery on the board in a dust-proof place until it is bone dry.

CLEANING BEDDING

Mattresses and bedding can be cleaned with the aid of the vacuum cleaner. If they cannot be cleaned this way the mattress should be well beaten out-of-doors, and the wire springs brushed with a soft, long-haired brush.

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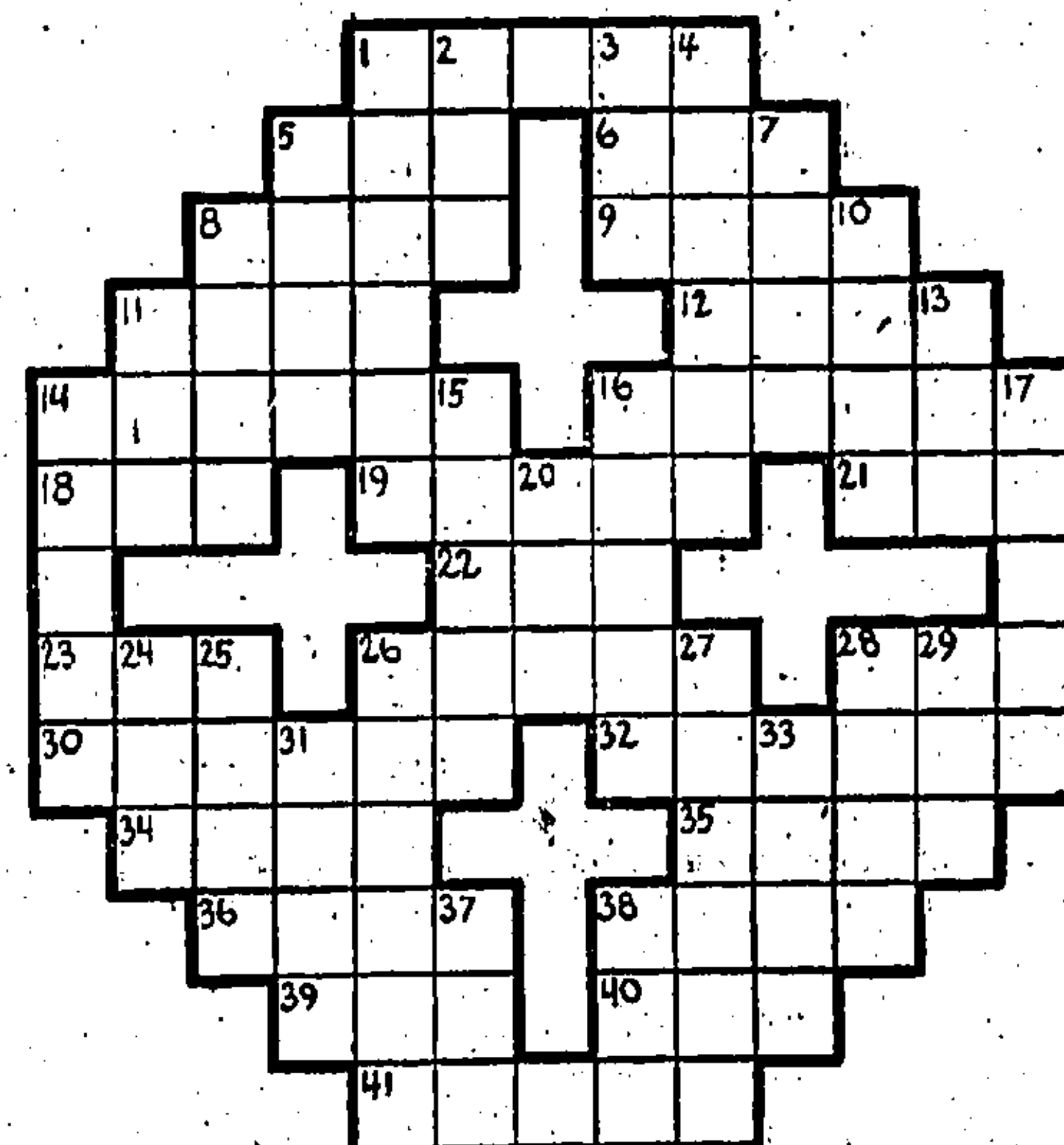
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL
1—Divide into two equal parts
6—Nocturnal mammal
8—Tavern
9—Arrived
10—English school
11—Grate
12—Paradise
14—Gone by
16—Plotted
18—An insect
19—Grades
21—Saints (abbr.)
22—Fish eggs
23—Small bed
25—Tears
27—An insect
33—Dwelt unduly
34—Not so fresh
35—A paper measure
36—Ajar
38—Epoch
39—A company of seamen
40—Before
41—Holds
VERTICAL
1—Retard
2—Consumed
3—Contend
4—Penetrates
5—A man's singing voice
7—Knot
8—Threw
HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
10—Tidings
11—Moved rapidly
12—Lace fabric
14—Dry
15—Ventured
16—A vegetable (pl.)
17—Prevent from acting
20—A measure of weight
24—Propeller
25—Large plant
27—Note
28—Emitted a blast of air
29—Even (Contr.)
31—Remove the skin
33—Imitator
37—Look
39—Policeman (colloq.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in Wednesday's issue.



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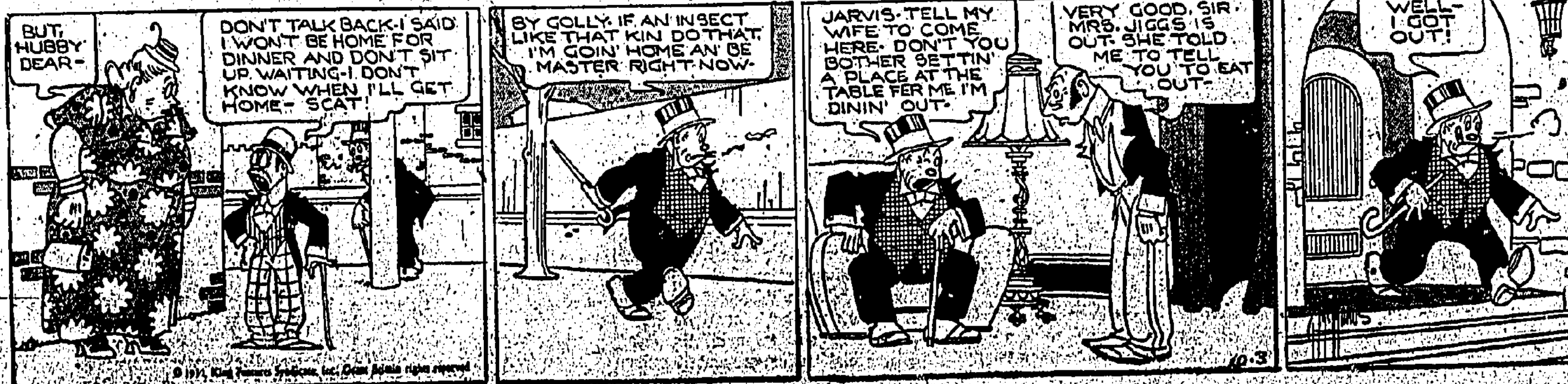
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Amusements

Cinema Notes

"DOWN TO THEIR LAST YACHT"
—KING'S THEATRE

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The picture concerns the adventures of two contrasting classes: a group of former aristocrats whose vast fortunes have been swept away, and a party of newly-rich social climbers bent upon living the life of Riley. These groups are brought together on a yachting cruise to the South Seas.

When the yacht is wrecked and the party stranded on a beautiful island, the two factions are united in the common cause of rebelling against the tyranny of an exotic island queen.

Mary Boland portrays the fiery tempered island queen, who rules with an iron hand, but who has a penchant for marrying at frequent intervals.

The cast includes Sidney Blackmer, Sidney Fox, Polly Moran, Ned Sparks, Sterling Holloway, Charles Coleman, Marjorie Gatenon, Helen Collins, Tom Kennedy, Hazel Forbes and Irene Franklin.

"MERRY WIDOW"—QUEEN'S THEATRE.

All the famous songs of the Franz Lehár masterpiece, "Merry Widow," are presented in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's musical romance of the same name, featuring Maurice Chevalier and Jeannette MacDonald, now at the Queen's Theatre.

The hauntingly romantic "Vilja" is sung by Miss MacDonald, as are "To-night Will Teach Me to Forget," "Melody for Laughter" and "Widows are Gay." Chevalier's songs include "I'm Going to Maxim's" and "Girls, Girls, Girls." Together, Miss MacDonald and Chevalier sing "The Merry Widow Waltz." A male chorus renders "We'll Go to Cafe De Paris."

In addition, the Franz Lehár music in its original form embellishes the "Can-Can" ballet at Maxim's, the Marshovian ballet, the huge Albertina Rasch waltz ballet and other spectacular details.

Chevalier and Miss MacDonald head a huge cast, which includes Edward Everett Horton, Una Merkel, George Barbier, Sterling Holloway, Donald Meek and Herman Bing.

Hundreds of gorgeously costumed players, huge and spectacular settings, and unique effects lend fresh glamour to the picture.

"WONDER BAR"—ORIENTAL THEATRE.

Al Jolson, the Jewish lad from New York's East Side, who has gone down in film history as the first talking picture star, rises to new heights in "Wonder Bar," a First National production. "Wonder Bar," the action of which takes place in an elaborate Paris bar and night club, has plenty of material for first-class film entertainment, plus a cast ideally chosen; a cast that makes the most of every situation.

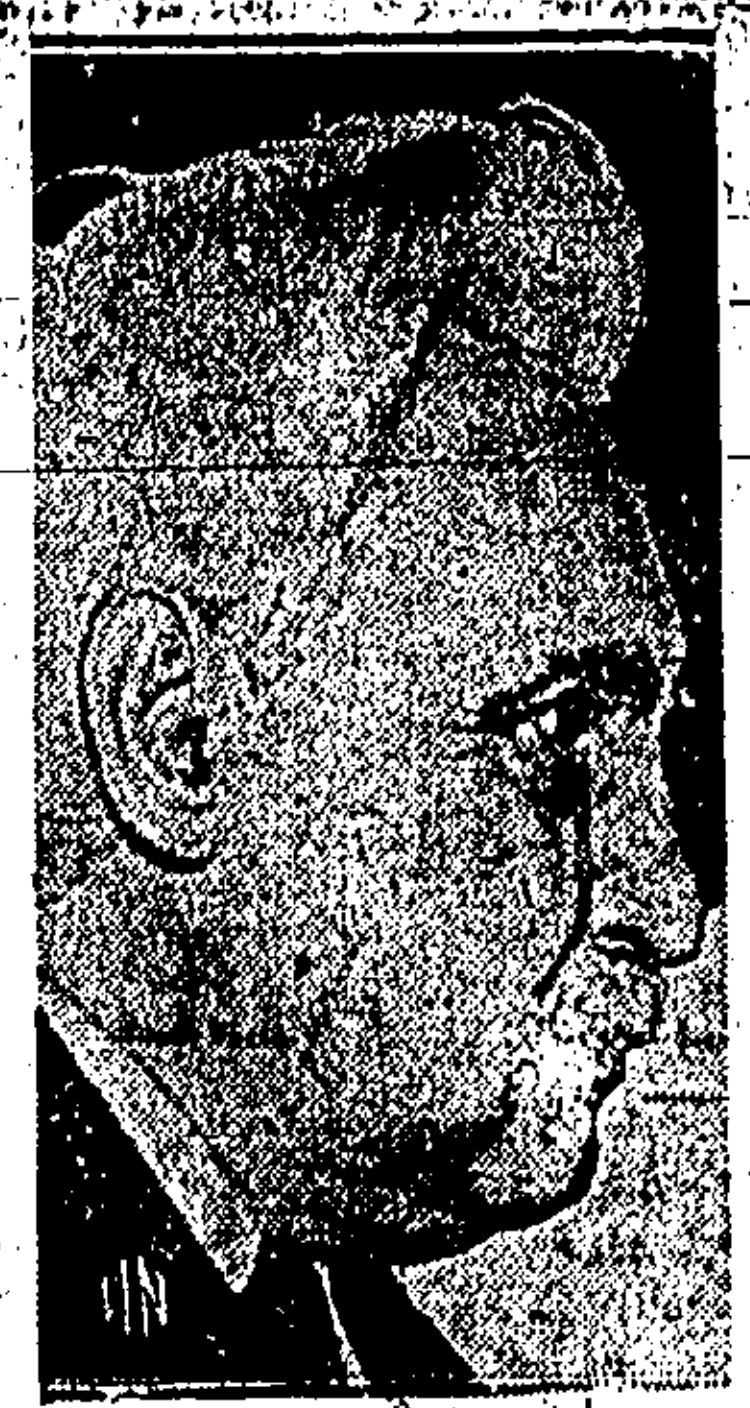
Into this story of flirtatious wives, philandering husbands, scheming gigolos, beautiful girls, and spectacular scenery is woven drama and romance.

"VIVA VILLAI"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

A superb characterisation of the man, who was the outstanding figure in Mexico's history during the decade preceding the Great War, is Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's current release, "Viva Villai" featuring Wallace Berry Fay Wray, and Joseph Schildkraut.

The opening scenes show Berry in the title role as Villai, witnessing his whipped to death by the aristocrats, and this bitter memory never leaves him. He knows no except that all men are equal and that aristocrats must be killed. He vanquishes his enemies with his ragged army of recruits, marries every girl he fancies. You will see him as Dictator, and then his ignominious death in a butcher's shop—an act of revenge.

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Rep. Charles A. Eaton (N. J.), ordained Baptist minister who is member of the House of Representatives. Foreign Affairs Committee, considers himself pacifist, but—"I hate war, but I don't believe the day is here when we should not be prepared to take care of ourselves. I am here to fight for the largest navy," he told the Society of Naval Engineers in New York.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcasted to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wave length of 855 metres (845 K.C.):—

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30-1 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Press News, etc.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
Dance Music from Hong Kong Hotel.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7 p.m.—1 a.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, London and New York Stock & Commodity Quotations.
7.08-7.34 p.m.—Concert Items.
Pianoforte Solos—
Children's Corner Suite—Serenade for the Doll (Debussy)
Paganini Etude in E Flat Major (Liszt)
Vladimir Horowitz
Songs—
By the Waters of Minnetonka (Lehar)
The lass with the Delicate Air (Arney)
Mavis Bennett (Soprano)

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.
8.03-8.30 p.m.—Lucienne Boyer (Soprano).
Carroll Gibbons and John W. Green (Piano)
1. Piano Solos—
Footlight Parade—Selection.
2. Songs—
Si Petite
Sans Toi—Tango Chante.
3. Piano Solos—
There's a Ring around the Moon.
Nymph Errant—Selection
Songs—
Visions in the Smoke
Speak to me of Love
4. Piano Solos—
I want a fair and square Man
Ain't she the Dainty
8.30-9.03 p.m.—Band Music.
The Mill on the Rock—Overture (arr. Winterbottom)
Mirella—Overture (Gounod)
Semiramide—Overture (Rossini)
Hyde Park Suite (Jalowicz)
9.03-9.30 p.m.—A B.B.C. Recorded Programme.
"Nuts and Wine"
A Programme of Old English Songs
Cast
Frederick Grisewood—Baritone
Ernest Lush at the Piano
The B.B.C. Male Voice Chorus
conducted by Leslie Woodgate.
9.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Bulletins, London 1 p.m. Stock & Commodity Quotations.
9.35 p.m.—1 a.m.—A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Grill Room (by courtesy of the Management).
10.30 p.m.—Reuter Press, Bulletins, Rugby Mid-day Press News, Further London Stock & Commodity Quotations.
11 a.m.—Close Down.

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BRIDGE NOTES

GETTING THE BEST OUT OF A HAND

by Ely Culbertson.

A Bridge player is often confronted with problems requiring the most accurate weighing of probabilities to determine which is the better thing to do—to double an adverse bid which he feels must be defeated, or to proceed to a game contract himself and face the possibility of defeat. Questions of this type have a great bearing upon winning or losing at Bridge.

In to-day's hand the South player, Mr. A. Moyse, Jr., of New York, made what proved to be the correct decision. Though in the play both he and his partner, Mrs. Estelle Jaeger, faced difficult problems, they solved them triumphantly and defeated their vulnerable opponents by 500 points. The game was Duplicate, and the decision was a close one, for five clubs can be made by South, and a set of one trick would not have been enough to compensate for a lost game. The hand was:

East, Dealer
East and West vulnerable.

North—
S—Q 7 8 2
H—10 7 6 5
D—J 7
C—Q J 6

West—
S—8
H—A J 9 4 3 2
D—10 8 6
C—8 7 5

East—
S—A K 10 9 6 5
H—K Q 8
D—Q 3 2
C—10

South—
S—J 4
H—
D—A K 9 5 4
C—A K 9 4 3 2

The bidding: (Figures after bids refer to numbered explanatory paragraphs.)

East	South	West	North
1S	2C (1)	Pass	2NT (2)
3S	Dbl. (3)	Pass	Pass

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SPORTING PAGE

LINCOLNS TROUNCE SOUTH CHINA "B" BEFORE HUGE CROWD SECOND HALF SUPERIORITY TELLS TALE



Li Tin-sang, the brilliant South China full-back, will not be representing the Island in tomorrow's big charity soccer game.

Saturday's Results At A Glance

FIRST DIVISION	
CLUB	2 ST. JOSEPH'S
"S. CHINA "A"	FUSILIERS
KOWLOON	0 ARTILLERY
RECREIO	4 EAST LANCES
SECOND DIVISION	
CLUB	3 UNIVERSITY
KOWLOON	0 ARTILLERY
THIRD DIVISION	
RECREIO	2 MEDICALS
RAILWAY	1 POLICE
RADIO	0 R.A.O.C.
FUSILIERS	2 E. LANCES

SATURDAY'S GOALSCORERS

FIRST DIVISION	
Morton (Artillery)	2
Ward (St. Joseph's)	2
H. Gossano (Recreio)	2
Gorman (E. Lances)	2
Howe (Club)	1
E. Strange (Club)	1
Gossano (Recreio)	1
Alves (Recreio)	1
SECOND DIVISION	
Duncan (Club)	1
Law (University)	1
Leach (Artillery)	1
Brown (Artillery)	1
Thompson (Artillery)	1
THIRD DIVISION	
Santos (Recreio)	1
Pritchard (E. Lances)	1
Crosley (E. Lances)	1
Elliot (E. Lances)	1
Sandford (E. Lances)	1
Snooks (Medicals)	1
Poole (Medicals)	1
Yond (Medicals)	1
Chan Chau (Police)	1
Chan Hau Ting (Railway)	1
Ashurst (Fusiliers)	1

Yesterday's Results At A Glance

JUNIOR SHIELD	
NAVY	4 EASTERN
FIRST DIVISION	
S. CHINA "B"	1 LINCOLNS
ATHLETIC	0 POLICE
SECOND DIVISION	
SOUTH CHINA	1 FUSILIERS
LINCOLNS	1 EAST LANCES
THIRD DIVISION	
ENGINEERS	1 R.A.S.C.
LINCOLNS	2 AIR FORCE

YESTERDAY'S GOALSCORERS

JUNIOR SHIELD	
Dodds (Navy)	3
Darby (Engineers)	2
Cook (Navy)	1
Callard (Engineers)	1
Au Kim-fung (Athletic)	1
Cheong Moon-wing (Athletic)	1
FIRST DIVISION	
Tsang King-ki (S. China "B")	1
Higgins (Lincolns)	1
Malpas (Lincolns)	1
Ridley (Lincolns)	1
SECOND DIVISION	
Rush (Lincolns)	1
Hughes (Fusiliers)	1
Bumster (Fusiliers)	1
Li Wing-on (S. China) (Penalty)	1
THIRD DIVISION	
Turner (Lincolns)	2
Woods (Engineers)	1
Hopcroft (Service Corps)	1

LINCOLNS BEAT EAST LANCES IN FAST GAME

Lone Goal Decides The Issue

A most exciting encounter was witnessed before a huge crowd on the Chatham road ground yesterday, when the Lincolns, after a hard battle, retained their 100 per cent.

Athletic Held Miss Penalty In First Half

Police Should Have Secured Win

The Police were unlucky to lose a point when they met the Athletic on the Club ground yesterday, the outcome of which was a goalless draw.

The play on the whole was kept well under control and during the first half the distribution of play was very even. In the second period, however, the Police completely dominated the play, but, though they tried shots from all angles, the actual shots which reached Sui Tin-lim were extraordinarily weak.

Channings, erstwhile centre-half, returned to the Police fold to take up the inside-left position, but, due no doubt to his long absence from the game, he was unable to bridge the gap in the forward ranks. By occasional glimpses of something approaching his former work in the distributive field, he showed that he was not far out of touch, however.

Police Halver Good

The half-line were the chief factors towards the Police superiority in the later stages, for, in addition to blocking anything in the nature of an Athletic attack almost before it had started, they were the real instigators in the attacks.

Parker completely subdued his opposing man to such an extent that the latter never once held the ball during the second stage. To hold the speedy Tang Kwong-sum on the other wing, Brooks had to exert all his energies. That he

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JUNIOR SHIELD HOLDERS WIN

Eastern Prove No Match For Navy

"HAT TRICK" FOR DOBBS

On the Navy ground at Causeway Bay yesterday, the Navy juniors (holders) defeated the Eastern by four goals to nil in the first round of the Junior Shield.

One change was made in the navy team, Cook replacing Bower at centre half.

Maies secured a "Hat Trick" and was the pick of the Navy eleven. Of the remaining forwards Adams was the only one seen to advance, although on a number of occasions his shooting was wild and erratic.

The halves combined and worked well, Cook playing a very sound game throughout. Solomon and Dixon, in the defence, played excellently and managed to relieve many difficult situations.

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RIDLEY MISSES FROM PENALTY SPOT MEAKIN STOPS CHEUK'S PENALTY EFFORT WINNERS' FORWARDS BRILLIANT

(By "Rover")

BEFORE a huge attendance at Caroline Hill yesterday, South China "B" were well beaten by the Lincolns, the final score being 3 goals to 1 in the soldiers' favour.

Until the interval the exchanges were very even, but apart from a few good movements, South China were seldom dangerous in the second half, and played like a beaten side. Their defence was very shaky, Lee Kam being particularly below form, both in tackling and clearing, and this resulted in extra work being thrust upon Cheung Chi-ying and Wong, whose efforts could not cope with the fast and robust methods of Higgins, Malpas, and Ridley.

Henry Yeung did well, and his passing was very accurate, but he was apt to give Mathews too much room. Lam Tak-po and Yau Wah-hing had a difficult task in endeavouring to stop Higgins, Ridley and Baldry, and, though opening the game out well with judicious passes when opportunity offered, they came off second-best in their encounters with the Lincolns forwards.

Yeung Shui-yick and Li Shek-yau were speedy wingers, and threatened danger more than once with their splendid centres. The inside men were tricky and combined well, Cheuk Shek-kam and Tsang King-ki being particularly hard to stop. A little more directness, and more accurate shooting might have altered the result considerably.

The Lincolns owed their success to the fast and "direct-for goal" methods employed by their forward line.

Ridley and Malpas were outstanding in the many dangerous attacks set up, and with Higgins always in position and ready to snap up a

loose ball, gave the South China defenders a busy afternoon.

They were well supported by Mathews and Baldry on the wings. Thompson, Dudley and Robson backed up in splendid style, and constituted an additional three forwards during an attacking movement.

Lincolns Stamina Tells

By continuing to attack as much as possible, insisted on relying on defensive tactics when in the lead, the Lincolns, almost over-ran South China during the second half, and gave Ash, Edmondson and Meakin a well-deserved breather after a hectic first-half.

During this period, the Lincolns defence was called upon often to deal with dangerous raids by the Chinese Ash was rather unsteady under pressure, and some of his clearances were none too sound. Edmondson covered him well, and Meakin was usually on the spot with a pair of safe hands.

The Lincolns attacked from the commencement, and from a corner by Baldry, Dudley's shot rebounded off the bar, and Higgins headed just over. A breakaway by Yeung Shui-yick and a perfect centre to Tsang King-ki saw the latter run in and open the scoring with a splendid header which Meakin reached but could not hold.

The Lincolns quickly retaliated, and equalised when Higgins lobbed the ball into the goalmouth, where Wong appeared to let the ball go in through paying too much attention to Malpas who had rushed up for the centre.

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FUSILIERS BEAT SOUTH CHINA

Last Minute Goal By Bumster

CHINESE UNLUCKY NOT TO FORCE DRAW

Scoring the winning goal in the last minute of the game, the Fusiliers defeated South China at Caroline Hill yesterday afternoon by 2 goals to 1 after a fast and even Second Division encounter.

In some respects South China were unlucky not to have gained at least one point, and it was unfortunate for them that they found Saunders at the top of his form. Making many splendid saves, he was only beaten by a penalty kick.

Wheeler was the pick of the backs, having many nasty situations with well-timed clearances. Galley was easily rustered, and muddled badly at times. In the intermediary line, McHugh gave a good all-round display, and distributed the ball well. He was well supported by Edge and Jones.

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Although she has already attended the altar four times, Dorothy Dunbar (above), one and only ex-wife of the one and only Max Baer (lower), is said to be planning a fifth marriage. Hollywood reports that the lovely Dorothy will be the third wife of Prince Serge Mdivani (upper).

Flashes From The Fields

GEORGE DUNCAN, the Club junior, but there was nobody on the spot to snap them up.

The Club were the heavier team on the whole, and kept their feet better than their opponents, who found the slippery surface, and the drizzle too much for them.

The University forwards were good to watch, but could make little headway against the sound defence of Nicholls and Blinnie, the Club backs.

Stevens, on the Club's right wing, showed fine form throughout the game, and sent over some perfect centres.

CHARITY FOOTBALL TO-MORROW

Teams Of Interport Trial Standard

POWERFUL MAINLAND ATTACK

An interesting and exciting game is anticipated on the Club ground to-morrow when teams selected from Clubs with headquarters in Hong Kong and in Kowloon will meet in a charity fixture.

The teams, which are called the Island and the Mainland teams, are representative of the cream of local soccer talent, and one could go even further to say that they very nearly represent teams of Interport trial standard.

The Island team have the choice of the South China "A" players, who fill several important positions, while Elms and Ward of St. Joseph's are also included.

Kowloon, or the Mainland team, is fully represented by the Services, although why the Navy should be included there with their own ground at Causeway Bay, is beyond me.

The game commences at 3.30 p.m. and the teams are:—

Island:—Durham (R.A.), Lau Mau (South China), S. Strange (Club), (Capt.) Leung In-chen (South China), Pardo (R.A.), Elms (St. Joseph's), Two Kwai-shing (South China), Ward (St. Joseph's), Ho Kar-keung (Athletic), Tay Quee-ling (South China) and Lee Shek-yau (South China).

Reserves:—Leonard (St. Joseph's), Harris (R.A.), Lee Kwok-wai (South China), Edmonds (R.A.), Lai Shui-wing (South China) and Fung King-yu (Athletic).

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UNIVERSITY BEATEN

MACNIDER NETS WINNING GOAL LATE IN GAME

C.B.A. RECORD FIRST MAMAK WIN

FARMER IN LIMELIGHT

In a very scrappy Mamak Hockey Tournament game on the C.B.A. ground yesterday morning the Central British Association defeated the University by the odd goal in three to record their first win in the series this season.

The University were weakened by the loss of their centre-half, W. Singh, who was injured while playing against the Cornwall on Friday.

S. MacNider, at centre-forward for the C.B.A. scored both the winners' goals while the University replied through Goon.

S. S. Chin, the University custodian, again saved his team on many occasions, the two goals which were scored against him being well-placed shot and almost impossible to stop.

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C.B.A.—King: Bickford and Bond; Whitley, Farmer and Blyth; Clayton, Pearce, MacNider, Stoker and Hirst. University:—Chin; Ang and Tang; Silva, Gossano and Too; Amplanav, Ribiero, Goon, Reed and Ozorio.

UNIMPRESSIVE DEBUT BY RADIO

Signals Snatch Point In Last Minute

SOLDIERS SHOULD HAVE WON

The Radio, twice winners of the tournament, did not make a very impressive debut in the Mamak Hockey Tournament when they shared two goals with the Royal Corps of Signals, on the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday.

Although enjoying the better part of the game the Signals displayed erratic shooting abilities.

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Signals:—Marsh; Martin and Hodges; Buttery, Dilly and Mills; May, Austin, Addis, Farrell and Larking. Radio:—U. B. Souza; Parduman Singh and Bhagwan Singh; L. B. Kitchell, Jaggeet Singh, and J. M. Tavares; Prem Singh, Surin Singh, Awta Singh, Darshan Singh and F. A. Kumb (captain).

KOWLOON INDIANS TAKE THE LEAD

Easy Triumph Over 12th Battery

G. SINGH SCORES FOUR

By defeating the 12th Battery by five clear goals in their Mamak Hockey Tournament match on the Police Training School ground yesterday, the Kowloon Indians' Tennis Club not only retained their 100 per cent. standing but secured the leadership in the league table.

The Royal Corps of Signals have the same number of points, but have played nearly twice as many games in addition to not having such a good average as the K.I.T.C.

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Mamak League Table To Date

Mamam League Table to Date							
	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
K.I.T.C.	7	0	0	27	8	14	
R.C.	7	6	0	12	0	13	
R.C. of Signals	5	4	2	24	14		
St. Andrews	4	4	2	14	11	10	
Police	5	1	1	16	2	10	
R.A.S.C.	3	2	2	15	9		
University	2	3	3	12	16	9	
Suffolk	5	3	1	15	6	7	
United	8	1	4	5	12	5	
Diamond	5	0	5	4	9	2	
Medway	5	1	1	3	6	3	
Duncan	2	0	2	1	2	1	
12th Battery	2	0	1	3	3	3	
C.B.A.	2	0	1	3	3	3	
Daisy	5	0	5	5	2	0	
Cornwall	1	0	0	1	1	1	
Radio	1	0	0	1	1	1	

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TO-MORROW

Cricket:—Triangular Tournament: Hong Kong C.C.V. v. Royal Navy (Hong Kong C.C.V. Ground), 11 a.m.; University v. F.C. v. F.C. (F.C. Ground), 11 a.m.; F.C. v. F.C. (F.C. Ground), 11 a.m.; F.C. v. F.C. (F.C. Ground), 11 a.m.

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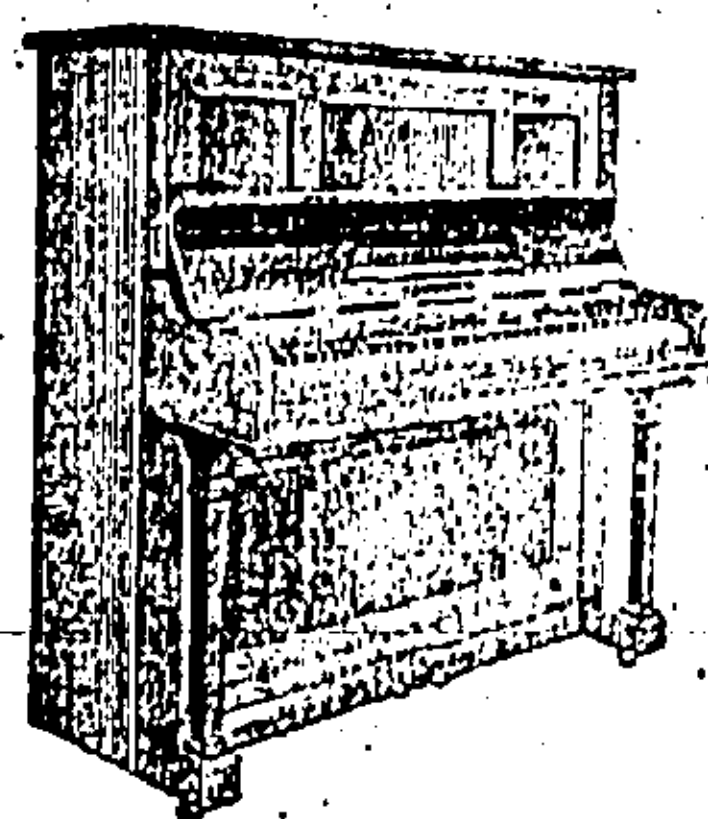
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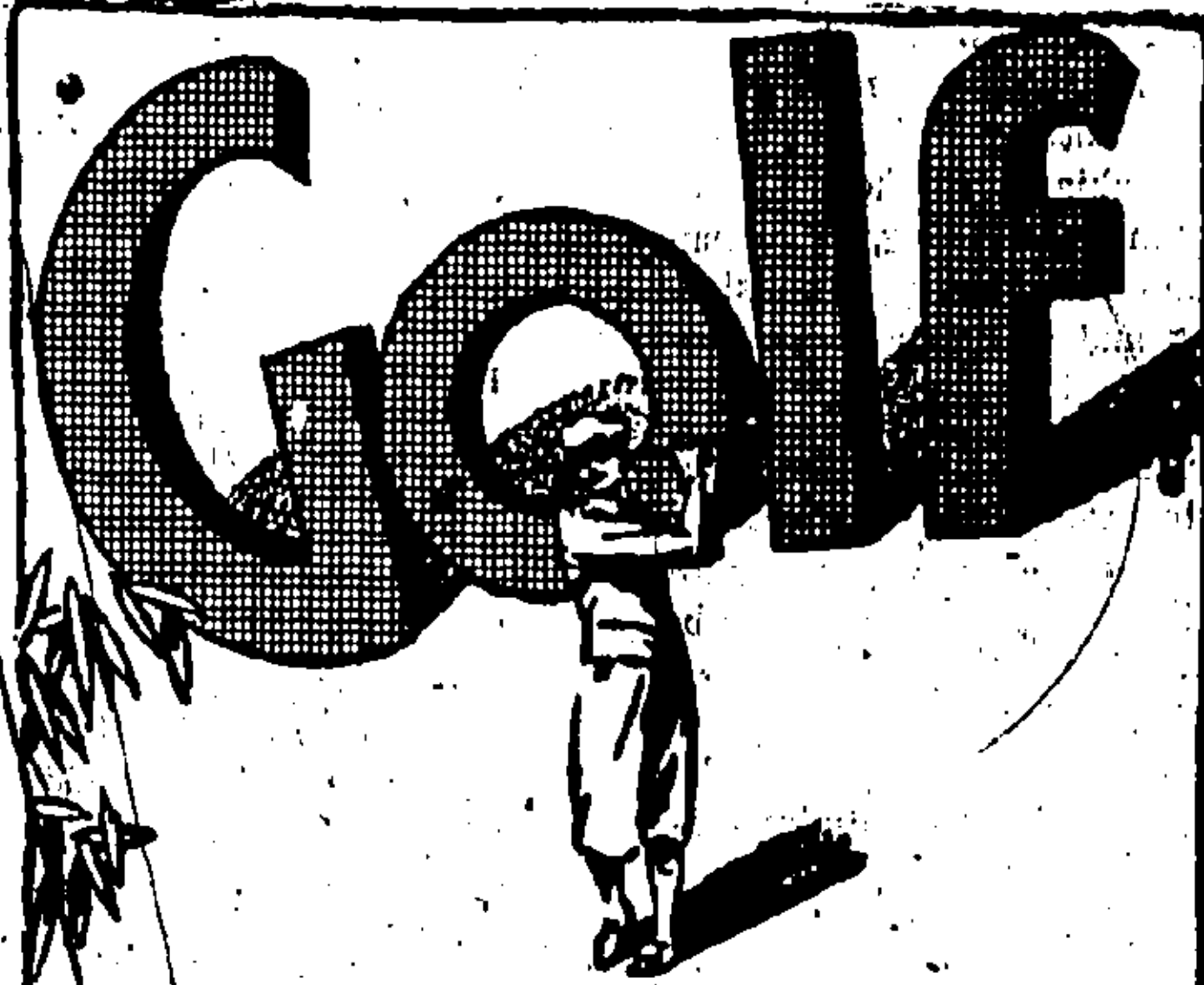
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FOOTBALL

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Ridley initiated a good movement, and Higgins' final pass to Malpas saw the latter's shot hit the bar with Wong well beaten.

Continuing the pressure, the Lincolns took the lead, when from a centre by Baldry, Malpas rushed between the backs to score with a grand cross-shot.

Two Penalties Missed

South China kept pegging away and went near when Ash miskicked to let Li Shek-yau through, but his centre was rather dangerously kicked over the bar by Robson. Ridley nearly increased the Lincolns lead when his shot went the wrong side of the upright.

During a scramble for possession in South China's goal-mouth Higgins was fouled by Lee Kam, but Ridley shot wide from the spot-kick.

South China should have equalised shortly after the interval when Yeung Shui-yick passed in to Cheuk Shek-kam, who shot straight at Meakin from six yards.

A penalty awarded for a foul by Mathews against Li Shek-yau was taken by Cheuk Shek-kam, but Meakin effected a splendid clearance. From this clearance, the Lincolns swept right up the field, catching South China well out of position, and Malpas centred to Ridley, who netted from close-in.

South China "B"—Wong Wah-kai, Cheung Chi-ying and Lee Kam; Yau Wah-hing, Lim Tak-po, and Henry Yeung; Yeung Shui-yick, Lai Shui-wing, Tsang King-ki, Cheuk Shek-kam and Lee Shek-yau.

Lincolns—Meakin; Ash, Edmundson; Dudley, Robson, Mathews, Malpas, Higgins, Ridley and Baldry.

FUSILIERS BEAT SOUTH CHINA

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Coakley led his forwards well, and tested Lee Ho-Chuen with several good drives. In the inside positions Bumster and Hughes worked hard for goals, and combined well with their speedy wing-men, Cresty and Evans.

Defence Outpositioned

South China's defence was fairly sound, but Cheong Hon-Yeung and Cheung Pak-wing often lost their positions, and Lee was called on more than once to effect a hurried clearance. The halves were weak, and it was seldom that they were successful in stopping the fast-moving Fusiliers' attack. Their passes were usually too hard, and inaccurate, and not once did they keep up with their forwards when the latter launched an attack. Tang Yat-Ming was no match for the burly Coakley, and, though putting in a lot of work, he accomplished little.

The forwards combined well together, but were slow in their movements, and did not avail themselves of the splendid passes by Chan Tak-On, who was the only dangerous forward South China had on view. Ip Yun-Po and Li Wing-On did good work at times, and gave Saunders some awkward shots to deal with.

Fusiliers Score First

The Fusiliers started with a rush, and following a run and centre by Cresty, Hughes opened the scoring after Lee had partially cleared.

At the other end Ip Yun-Po went through, but was robbed by Galsley when in the act of shooting. Raids were frequent at both ends, and both goalkeepers were kept busy dealing with shots. Saunders did well to turn a splendid effort from Ip Yun-Po round the post, and a little later made a wonderful save from a shot by the same well past Li to give the Engineers the lead.

South China pressed hard after the interval, and during a melee, Wheeler, accidentally handled, wards got away from Li's clearance. From the spot kick, Li Wing-On and Slack were forced to pass, but South China, on-level terms, hind to Sallet to clear. Cheong Both sides attacked determinedly, but it was not until the last minute that the winning goal came, Cresty passing in for Bumster to give Lee no chance with a well-shot entered the goal with Li Kwok-kee unslighted.

South China: Lee Ho-chuen, Cheong Han, Wong Wing-niu, and Chan Shui Hon-yeung; Cheong Pak-wing, Wan Tso-lok, Tang Yat-ming, Mok Yim Au Kim-fung, Lo Wai-keun and Cheong sang; Chan Tak-On, Ip Yun-po, Hui Fu-wong, Li Wing-on and Chan Shui-yu.

Fusiliers: Saunders, Wheeler, Galsley, Edge, McHugh, Jones, Cresty, Denham, Leatz, Callard, Budden, Bumster, Coakley, Hughes and Evans. Darby, Howlett and Cragg.

DOCKYARD WIN SHOOTING

H.M.S. Kent Lose Keen Competition

CONDITIONS NOT GOOD

Although conditions for firing were not conducive to good scores, there being a mist drifting across the range, a very keen match was fired on the Stonecutter's Range on Saturday between the Dockyard Rifle Club, and H.M.S. Kent, resulting in a win for former by the narrow margin of 9 points.

Practises were 200, 500 and 600 yards.

Scores:—
Naval Yard
W. Austin 27 31 27 85
S. Quinnell 27 27 25 85
E. Leunham 30 28 26 84
A. Cox 27 26 28 82
H. Murgatroyd 28 29 25 82
H. Blake 25 27 29 81

Total H.M.S. Kent 499
Cpl. Wilson 30 30 28 88
Sergt. Fessey 30 30 28 86
L. S. Ramsey 28 30 27 85
A. B. Thomas 21 28 29 78
A. B. Hapgood 20 32 26 78
S. P. O. Marsh 23 27 25 75

Total 490

LINCOLNS DEFEAT AIR FORCE

All-Round Superiority Apparent

The Lincoln's beat the Royal Air Force at Chatham Road yesterday afternoon by two goals, to nil in their Third Division encounter.

The Lincolns had the best of the match throughout and were far the superior team.

The Air Force had the greatest difficulty in keeping the Lincolns at bay, and credit is due to Beecham and Everson who bore the brunt of the Airmen's defence.

Despite every effort by the Lincolns, they failed to score in the first half.

Hibbet, at left-half, played an excellent game for the Lincolns, and it was due to his good feeding and passing that Turner scored twice.

SERVICE CORPS AND SAPPERS DRAW

Penalty Kick Brings Equaliser

An even encounter was seen at Sookunpoo yesterday when the Engineers and the Royal Army Service Corps shared two goals in the Third Division.

There was no score in the first half. Woods opened the score for the Sappers, but Hopcroft equalised for the Service Corps from a penalty.

ENGINEERS BEAT ATHLETIC

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Au Kim-fung provided the Engineers defence with an abundance of exercise and with the support of his inside forwards with some contrasting close-movement play which was as effective as the Engineers' open style.

Wong Wing-niu cleverly held his end and placed his forwards in good openings as the result of hard-working efforts. Lo Wai-man was the stumbling block of quite a number of Engineer attacks and he showed up notably well in the tackling phases.

Within the first few minutes of play the Athletic took the lead through Au Kim-fung, but their lead was short-lived when Callard went through and netted well out of his reach.

A free-kick for the Engineers was the stumbling block of quite a number of Engineer attacks and he showed up notably well in the tackling phases.

Howlett tested the Athletic's custodian, but the Athletic for Wheeler, accidentally handled, wards got away from Li's clearance. From the spot kick, Li Wing-On and Slack were forced to pass, but South China, on-level terms, hind to Sallet to clear. Cheong Both sides attacked determinedly, but it was not until the last minute that the winning goal came, Cresty passing in for Bumster to give Lee no chance with a well-shot entered the goal with Li Kwok-kee unslighted.

South China: Lee Ho-chuen, Cheong Han, Wong Wing-niu, and Chan Shui Hon-yeung; Cheong Pak-wing, Wan Tso-lok, Tang Yat-ming, Mok Yim Au Kim-fung, Lo Wai-keun and Cheong sang; Chan Tak-On, Ip Yun-po, Hui Fu-wong, Li Wing-on and Chan Shui-yu.

Fusiliers: Saunders, Wheeler, Galsley, Edge, McHugh, Jones, Cresty, Denham, Leatz, Callard, Budden, Bumster, Coakley, Hughes and Evans. Darby, Howlett and Cragg.



Ford Frick, the new president of the National Baseball League, won national note as a sports writer and broadcaster for the Hearst newspapers.

ALL-STAR BASEBALL ENCOUNTER

Frick Favours Annual Match

The new administration of the National League is strongly in favour of continuing the all-star game with the American League as an annual fixture in the mid-summer baseball programme.

"We think it has done much to stimulate national interest and we are for it, 100 per cent," declared the president-elect, Ford C. Frick, who has taken over the duties relinquished by the veteran, John A. Heydler.

Frick, in co-operation with the Baseball Writers' Association, helped to engineer the national newspaper poll on the make-up of the all-star big league teams last summer. He will urge the club owners, when they hold their annual meetings to vote for a continuation of the game on a similar basis of country-wide participation.

UNIVERSITY BEATEN

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E. L. Gosano, playing in the centre-half position, gave a good display, holding up numerous attacks and feeding his forwards with many accurate passes.

Farmer Outstanding
For the winners Farmer, at centre-half was the outstanding player. While N. Whitley, on his right, gave him good support.

It was not until late in the first half that MacNider opened the scoring. The University, however, quickly equalised through Goon, who scored from the circle's edge the ball hitting King's hand and being deflected into the net.

Late in the second half the winning goal was scored by MacNider after Whitley had brought the ball into the centre.

UNIMPRESSION DEBUT BY RADIO

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The Radio managed to hold the Signals to a goalless draw in the first half, and then at the commencement of the second half broke away to score through their centre-half, J. Singh, after Marsh had made an attempt to clear and had fallen in the attempt.

The Signals then kept attacking, but could not get past the Radio defenders, who were continually pulled up for "kicks." With only a minute to go the soldiers made a final attempt and in a goalmouth scramble, Dilly, centre-half, netted the equaliser with a scoop shot from three yards range.

KOWLOON INDIANS TAKE THE LEAD

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G. Singh, the Indians' centre-forward, who scored four of the goals, now heads the Tournament goal-scoring list with 17 goals to his credit. Senior, of the R.A.S.C., with 15, being displaced after a long reign of supremacy.

Throughout the game the Indians were faced with very little opposition, but their forwards were unable to shoot in the first half, only one goal being scored.

During the second half, however, remainder of the forward line, the whole team showed an improvement. Their fifth goal was scored Fung Yu Wai played excellent football, but were not strong

CENTURY STAND IN JUNIOR LEAGUE CRICKET MATCH

Kimm And Walch Defy Club Attack

SERVICE CORPS WIN

A second wicket stand between Capt. Kimm and Capt. Walch which yielded 115 runs, was responsible for the Royal Army Service Corps triumph over the Hong Kong Cricket Club juniors by 101 runs in their Second Division League cricket encounter on the H.K.C.C. ground on Saturday.

Capt. Kimm hit eight boundaries in his 42, while Capt. Walch, who passed the half-century mark, found the rails on 10 occasions.

R.A.S.C.

Capt. Kimm, b Kilbee 42
Dvr. Clarke, c Potter b Millbank 14
Capt. Walch, b Kilbee 55
Brig. Seth Smith, lb.w. b Millbank 8
Cpl. Ballard, c Flowerdew, b Kilbee 4
L/Cpl. Crayford, b Robinson 6
S/Sgt. Flood, c Ritchie b McMahon 25
Cpl. Rogers, not out 16
S.Q.M.S. Digby, b Robinson 0
Pta. Forsyth, did not bat 0
L/Cpl. Cooper, b McMahon 1
Extras (B9, L.B.4) 184

Fall of the Wickets:
1 for 21; 2 for 115; 3 for 120; 4 for 124; 5 for 132; 6 for 141; 7 for 177; 8 for 179; 9 for 184.

Bowling

Robinson 13 0 59 2
Millbank 10 0 46 2
McMahon 5.1 0 17 2
Kilbee 7 1 48 3

H.K.C.C.

H. J. Armstrong, c Crayford, b Forsyth 17
J. W. Pote-Hunt, run out 21
L. D. Kilbee, c Ballard, b Forsyth 3
G. H. D. Flowerdew, b Ballard 0
J. E. Jupp, c Walch, b Ballard 6
G. A. Millbank, c Clarke, b Forsyth 2
R. S. W. Paterson, b Clarke 12
J. F. Potter, b Forsyth 2
J. A. Ritchie, not out 6
E. McMahon, b Forsyth 6
W. R. Robinson, lb.w. b Clarke 9
Extras (B8, L.B.1) 9

Total 83
Fall of the Wickets:
1 for 22; 2 for 30; 3 for 31; 4 for 45; 5 for 49; 6 for 49; 7 for 51; 8 for 63; 9 for 83; 10 for 83.

Bowling

Ballard 15 2 36 2
Forsyth 14 2 28 5
Walch 1 0 9 0
Clarke 5 0 1 2

LINCOLNS BEAT EAST LANCES IN FAST GAME

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cent. record in the Second Division by beating the East Lances by an only goal.

Clayton, the Lincolns right-winger, was dangerous and sent in some very fine drives which were skillfully handled by Harmsworth in the East Lances' goal.

The best incidents in the game were witnessed after Rush had scored for the Lincolns in the second half of the match.

Harmsworth ran out of goal to clear, and gave Rush the chance to score into an open goal.

The keen activity displayed by the East Lances after this unfortunate mishap, lent spice to the game and many thrilling tussles were seen. The Lincolns' goal, but clever work by Dobbs and Colclough in the defence saved the situation.

Lincolns: Taylor; Dobbs, Colclough; Maughan, Wildy, Potter; Clayton, Harper, Rush, McGuinness and Toyne.

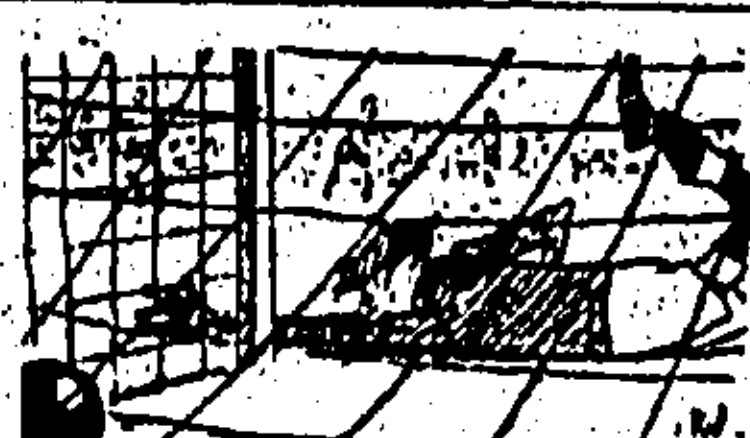
East Lances: Harmsworth; Steel; Harwood; Harley; Walkden, Eckelsley; Griffin, Riddings, Botting, Thorpe, and Swaine.

JUNIOR SHIELD HOLDERS WIN

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The Eastern as a team were very weak, and a few last minute changes were made. The forwards were very slow in taking the many chances given them, and twice should have secured a goal.

Kwok Ying Wai was very smart to shoot in the first half, only one goal being scored. During the second half, however, remainder of the forward line, the whole team showed an improvement. Their fifth goal was scored Fung Yu Wai played excellent football, but were not strong



LEAGUE TABLES

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.Pts.
South China 'A'	10	10	0	0	35	7 20
South China 'B'	12	7	3	2	25	16
Police	12	5	2	5	25	18
Lincolns	12	5	1	2	21	15
Club	11	4	2	5	23	13
Recreo	10	4	3	2	25	12
Athletic	10	4	2	4	30	19
Fusiliers	9	3	3	3	19	9
Navy	10	3	4	3	19	17
Artillery	13	4	8	1	19	9
East Lances	12	2	6	4	17	25
St. Joseph's	11	1	7	3	11	31
Kowloon	10	1	8	1	13	27

SECOND DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.Pts.
Lincolns	11	11	0	0	35	11 22
Navy	11	8	1	2	36	18
East Lances	12	8	2	1	42	13
Artillery	13	5	2	6	25	14
Athletic	8	6	2	0	24	9 12
South China	11	4	4	3	26	18
Fusiliers	11	4	4	3	21	18
University	10	4	5	1	19	22
Engineers	11	4	6	1	20	24
Club	12	1	6	5	14	32
Eastern	10	2	7	1	12	25
Kowloon	12	0	10	2	5	45

THIRD DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.Pts.
East Lances	14	12	2	0	71	19 24
R.A.S.C.	14	11	2	1	41	23 23
Lincolns	13	8	3	2	42	18
Air Force	12	6	3	3	23	16
Fusiliers	11	7	4	0	36	18
Radio	14	6	7	1	23	23
R.A.M.C.	13	6	6	1	23	30
R.A.O.C.	12	4	7	1	19	28
Police	12	3	8	1	12	35
Engineers	14	3	10	1	18	42
Railway	13	2	9	2	15	51
Recreo	12	2	9	1	24	37

ATHLETIC HELD

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held Tang for the majority of the game, speaks well for his performance, in addition to which his help in the attack was not inconsiderable. Gough was quiet during the opening period, but it was mainly through him that the Police continued the pressure towards the end, for he was here, there, and everywhere without ever losing sight of the expectant Ho Kar-keung.

The Police forwards were outstandingly energetic in their approach work, but over-keenness often spoiled a nice movement.

Perkins Shines

Chris Pike opened rather unsteadily, but his later work was without fault, and, with Blackburn giving of his best, nothing was lost. Perkins made some memorable saves in the opening stages of the game, but due to the good work of the forward-defence had very little to do later.

The Athletic forwards suffered to a lesser extent the same fault as their forward opponents, but the shots which Perkins had to deal with were good ones and atoned in part for others more erratic.

Ho Kar-keung, with Yeung and Au Ping-ming, staged some very clever short passing movements which took them right through the Police defence on several occasions, but Tang Kwong-sum was the real live-wire of nearly every attack. Tang was well served by the accurate passing of Ho Chor-yin, and he in turn piled his inside forwards with many openings during the first period.

The halves, under Lai Kwok-chiu, were consistent in their efforts for the duration of the game, although in the latter part their work was entirely defensive.

Neither Mak Sui-hon or his partner, Wong Sik-ping, appeared at all comfortable, even during the period when play was even. Under continued pressure they fell away altogether and their clearances were both weak and erratic. Sui Tin-lim, however, was alert in the goal-keeping capacity and showed a meritable decision in all his work.

The Athletic should have taken the lead from a penalty, but Tang Kwong-sum sent the ball inconceivably wide with a very weak effort.

Police: Perkins; Blackburn, C. Pike; Parker, Gough, Brooks; Green, Stephens, Johnston, Channing and Moss. Athletic: Sui Tin-lim; Mak Sui-hon; Wong Sik-ping; Ho Chor-yin; Lai Kwok-chiu, Ng Tak-wing; Tang Kwong-sum, Yeung Kan-po, Ho Kar-keung, Au Ping-ming and Li Hung-ching.

enough to suppress the heavy Navy attacks. Da Silva in goal was not reliable, and was in trouble on every occasion the ball came near the goal area.

Dodds opened the scoring in the first half, and Dodds (2) and Cook added goals after the interval. Navy: McSweeney, Solomon, Dixon, Gilbert, Cook, Parrott, Dodds, Miles, Hargreave, O'Donnell and Adams. Eastern: J. P. de Silva; Lai Ting-chol, Fung Yu-wai; Lee Bing-tong, Ng Yung-ku; Lee Kim-tai; Kwok Ying-wai, Fung Yui-poi; Fung Ning-ting, Ho Chi-wang and Wang Shui-ting.

LITERARY NOTES

THAT BRITISH AGENT

More Moss Collected By A Rolling Stone

Retreat from Glory. By R. H. Bruce Lockhart. (Putnam. 10s. 6d.).

Once more Mr. Lockhart takes his reader by the buttonhole of his coat and whispers in his ear. What a confidential, conversational fellow, to be sure! You have to listen; he has what a famous critic once called the hypnotising style. Now and again you feel inclined to break away, especially when he is explaining his financial embarrassments or deploring the proneness of Love to laugh at Lockhart's.

When the adventures described in his "Memoirs of a British Agent" came to an end, he returned to this country, where he was "in demand as a kind of star turn on Russia." He actually had the honour of an hour's audience of the King, whom he found better informed and better documented about Russian affairs than any of his Ministers, with the possible exception of Lord Milner. His Majesty showed a remarkable understanding both of the causes and of the effects of the Revolution. Lord Balfour, on the other hand, knew little about the situation in Russia and cared less, but was interested in the ideology of Bolshevism.

You meet in passing many celebrities of the past, present, and future. Here, for example, is Hitler at the outset of his career: "Twelve years ago, at the corner of the Kellerstrasse, I saw a little black-haired man in riding boots and a cheap brown waterproof haranguing a mixed crowd of some 200 men and women from a soapbox. He was bareheaded. He spoke in short, jerky sentences. The crowd changed every few minutes. Some jeered. Some laughed and moved on. Some stayed to listen." During a visit to Doorn the ex-Kaiser, depicted as neither monster nor mountebank, talks of many things and gives his guest a portrait of himself with a saying of Abraham Lincoln written below it: "Nothing is settled finally until it is settled right."

Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia become realities as we read. The Serbs he regards as "jolly buccanniers with the peculiar quality of guts." As for the Croats, they are thought not generally disloyal, though indignant at their deprivation of the higher posts in military and civil services.

One would have liked to see more of Moura, who seems to have become his external conscience. The author, having exhausted his reminiscences, should now dramatise himself in novels, a task for which his peculiar and personal style is admirably fitted.

CHAMBERS' NEW LOVE STORY

About A Modern Cinderella

"The Young Man's Girl" is a modern love story by Robert W. Chambers, told with the skill of a master novelist, of two people, starting from the time when the beautiful Chiyu was very young and had lost her father, and Wynward, out of sympathy, had used her as a model. Again and again, from this day forth, the two are brought together by crossing paths.

Chiyu developed into an ambitious person, and after an interlude as sales-girl, rises to cherished circles of society. Meanwhile, Wynward, the sculptor, encounters the artist's disappointments, but out of an unconscious sense of snobbery, demurs from capitulating to the one person who can help him—the girl. How the two are at last brought together makes a story of continuous romantic interest that will hold the reader to the very last page.

AIR RACE HERO SELLS BOOK RIGHTS

Hodder and Stoughton announce that they have purchased the British Empire book rights in "The Life Story of C. W. A. Scott," by himself. It will include the story of his flight in the London-Melbourne air race.



Eddie Rickenbacker left snowy New York skies at dawn to lunch in sun-drenched Miami and was back in New York for dinner, using the same Douglas ship in which he lowered the transcontinental record to 12 hours. He is shown (arrow) before the takeoff with some of the 15 who flew with him, including Barry Faris (left) Editor of International News Service, Mrs. Rickenbacker, Ben Smith, capitalist, and Lindsey Hopkins, prominent Floridian.

COURSE OF AMERICAN FICTION

"RESPECTABILITY MUST BE GETTING A LITTLE SHOCKED"

Many apt and interesting short stories are written in America now, but I sometimes wish that they did not leave the impression of a land inhabited largely by criminals.

It was Oscar Wilde, I think, who said of a popular novelist that he had exhausted the obvious; that points to one of the difficulties that beset us to-day. To become a good, careful ratepayer is within the possibilities of most of us, but such an accomplishment does little to provide the most attractive type of fiction. The other day, in a village lending library, a small boy was heard to exclaim in a tone of disgust "There's no murder ones left."

Murder And Detective Stories

It may be a question how far murder ones make legitimate reading for the young, but if readers generally are to subsist on the literature of crime it will be impossible to fob off boys and girls with the stories current in parish magazines and those of the milder forms of adventure.

Crime may be edifying; I do not think it does me any harm to read "Macbeth," but the substitution of the murder and detective story for the fairy tale or the school story becomes a little alarming.

It seems to be part of a general tendency. And it seems to be becoming rare in fiction to do anything because it is right or to refrain because it is wrong. Nowadays you must do a thing because it is interesting. We have to justify ourselves as the material for fiction.

New Set Of Morals

Fiction is forging ahead. It is understood to be providing a new set of morals, and these are best illustrated by characters who have no morals at all. The world is not as bad as the writers of fiction make out; perhaps their justification is that it would be more interesting if it were.

You cannot obtain high excitement from a decorous life, it may be said, though I am not so sure of that, writes Allan Monkhouse in the "Manchester Guardian." One does not want Adelphi heroes, but there is room for the heroic which is something more than slick effect. The American magazine "story," published in New York, has lately contained many stories of good quality, and some of them are in every way unexceptionable.

True Representation Of American Life?

Yet a friendly critic, writing in the editors' mentions several "suppositions" with which, at some time, he had credited them. Among

these were: "All proletarian stories are necessarily great stories" and "All stories, specialising in obscenity are necessarily great stories." Respectability must be getting a little shocked at the course of American fiction.

We can hardly believe that it is a true representation of American life. Anyone with turn for thankfulness at not being as other men are might find suitable reading in an article on "American Lawlessness" in the current number of the Political Quarterly. Yet we know that millions of quiet, unregarded people are leading decent lives which are not represented in fiction.

Author Of "Our Village"

It is a relief to turn from hectic fiction to something of a slower fashion, and, opportunely, I come on such relief in another quarterly, the "Countryman," which was sent to me some weeks ago by its enterprising editor, Mr. J. W. Robertson-Scott. The "Countryman" is a wonderful magazine for those who like the country; it is crammed with information and with interesting articles. I should think it has a great circulation, and the number of its rather intensive advertisements is a sufficient confirmation of this. But what took my fancy was a reprint of some letters by Miss Mitford, the author of "Our Village," to a friend. I may confess that I have not read "Our Village," though I know that I ought to have done so. I feel sure that I should get on with her villagers. I do not think that they are anything like those I meet with in American fiction or those of Mr. T. F. Powys; possibly they are not very like Thomas Hardy's. But I feel that Miss Mitford could not make offensive villagers if she tried. These letters of hers are in part about her geraniums and about a dog which, it appears, a famous beast. It must not be supposed, however, that Miss Mitford led a merely obscure and retired life. We find her writing to this friend about her tragedy of "Charles the First," which appears to have made some little stir.

A Triumph

"It pleased the pious and moral licensee . . . to refuse to license it some years ago for Covent Garden," but it was played at a theatre over which the licensee had no control. It was not a mere success; it was, as the author modestly acknowledges, "a triumph" and "praised too by the best judges." Unfortunately the manager, decamped without giving Miss Mitford and the actor of high genius (who played Cromwell) had been so

NEW BOOK ON NAZI GERMANY

"Strong Man Rules" By George Shuster

UNBIASED ESTIMATE OF HITLER

With liberality, fair-mindedness and a sense of humour, Mr. George N. Shuster writes from observation on the ground, from an intense interest in Germany and her people, and a complete, encyclopedic knowledge of all previous contributions on the subject. In his introduction to his book, "Strong Man Rules," he briefly traces the postwar history of Germany, declaring that Hitler's rise to power was an accident—an accident produced by a monstrous series of economic and sociological and political events.

These events led logically to the rise of the Nazi regime and the advent of Hitler, who, riding the main stream of the nationalistic current successfully, yet made the mistake of attempting to graft a democratic government (with a Fascist bias) upon a people who have no idea of democracy.

Mr. Shuster gives an admirable unbiased estimate of Hitler, in which he refrains from branding him a monster, shows him to be an astute politician, and yet essentially a weak man. The author also interestingly analyzes Hitler's Jewish policy, his attitude toward the churches, his economic and other policies.

ART OF THE ESSAY

Essays of the Year 1933-1934.

(Argonaut Press. 5s.)

The demands of modern journalism have left their mark upon the essay. There is a succinctness and economy about many of the samples of this book which is eloquent of an age in which the old art of making 10 beautiful words grow where only one grew before has lost popularity to the sharp, stabbing paragraph. The steeple-chasing style, in which every new idea has the appearance of a gallant leap, has a good deal to recommend it, and, as Mr. Ivor Brown suggests, the conditions of journalism as often as not translate themselves into a valuable discipline. The cold eye of the sub-editor has probably made as many masterpieces as it has marred.

In these 40 specimens of the modern craft there are many styles. Mr. Ralph Straus is at his happiest in "A Man with a Nose," a piquant biographical study of that curious bohemian of the nineteenth century, George Augustus Sala. A charming picture of Lord Grey is contributed by Seton Gordon—a balanced portrait as compared with "A Visit from George Moore," an account of what seems to have been a dull week-end with a fussy old gentleman, by Philip Gosse. Mr. E. V. Knox's delightful "drinking in England" is republished, and there are contributions from Rose Macaulay, E. M. Delafield, Gerald Barry, W. J. Lawrence, L. A. G. Strong, Ellis Roberts, and Llewelyn Powys—altogether a very pleasant companionable collection.

badly treated by this manager that he "left London in despair."

Even in those simple old days the literary life was "a long scene of anxiety and labour." It had its mitigations. "But for this wretched circumstance of being cheated of the air profits of my best work nothing could be more brilliant, gratifying than my visit to London." She was there for a month and had an extraordinarily festive time. For three weeks she "dined out every evening with from twenty to thirty distinguished persons—thirty or forty more coming in the evening; and when, at last, she insisted on rest, 'my maid computed that our morning visitors averaged from sixty to seventy persons per diem.'"

As she says, "it is no trifle to have three or four clever men talking to you from the moment you get up till you go to bed, and we are hardly surprised to hear that she 'got to faint away regularly every afternoon.' In those days fainting was a ladylike accomplishment; hockey, long walks, and boneless corsets being unknown. All this was a hundred years ago,

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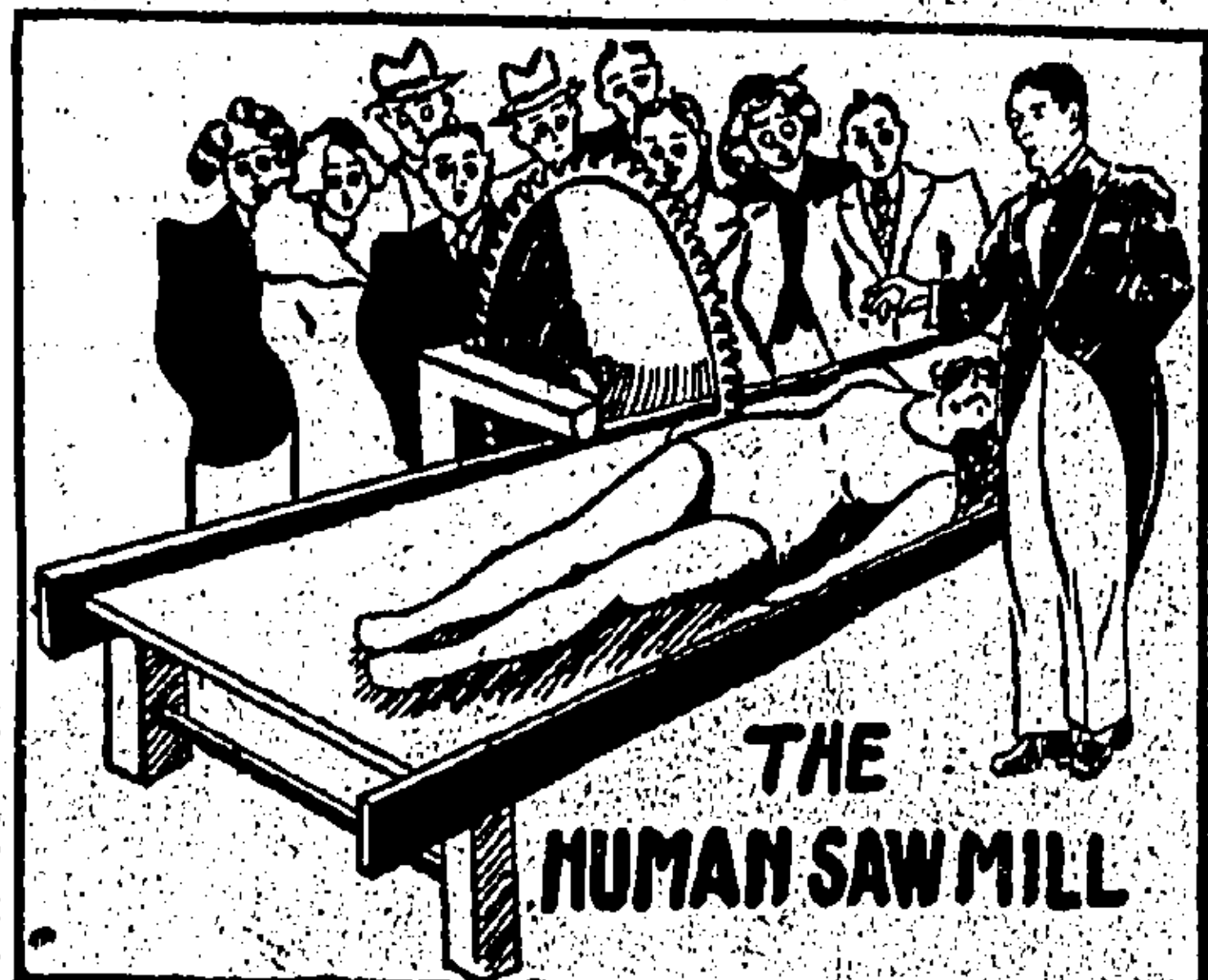
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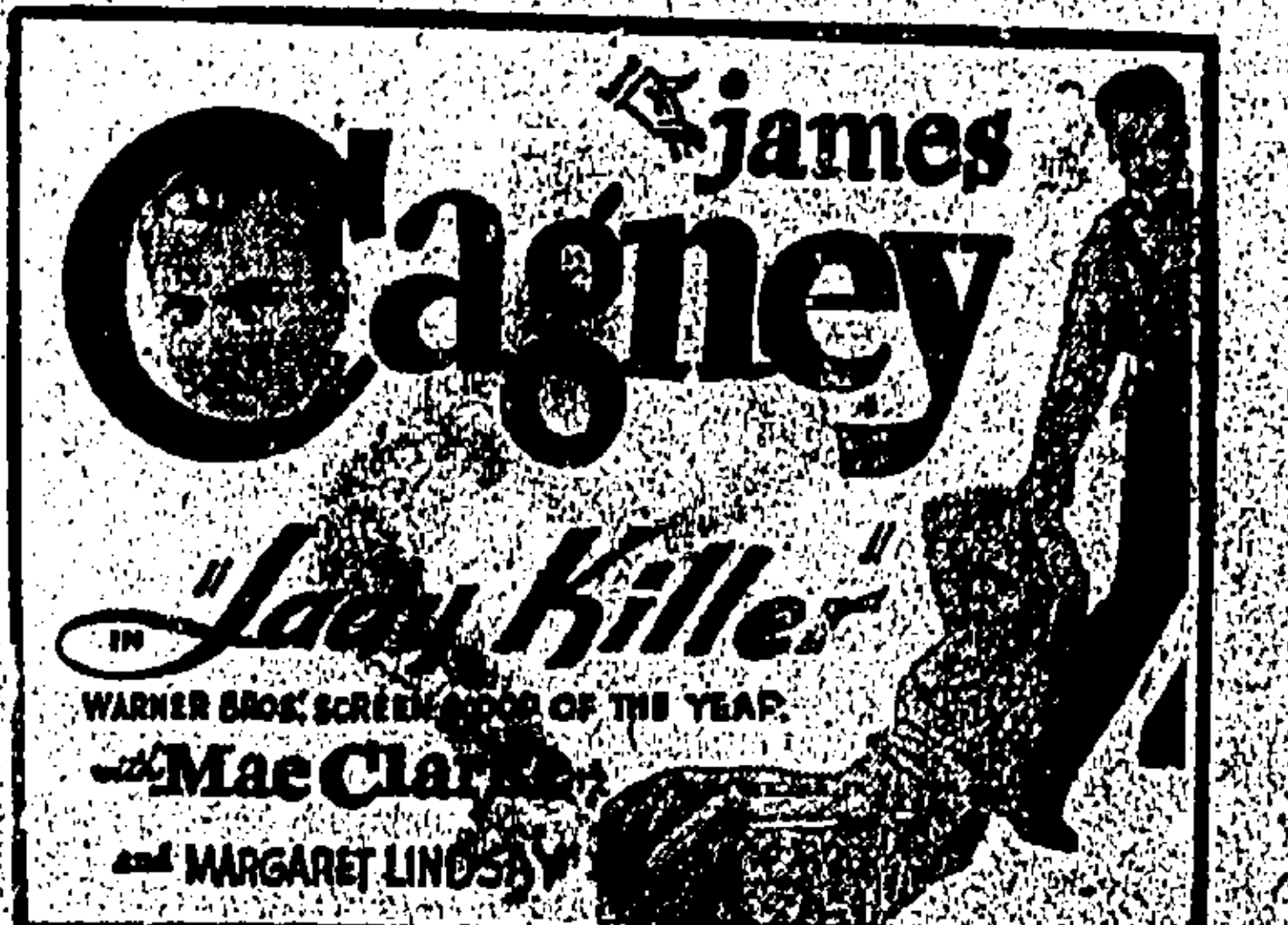
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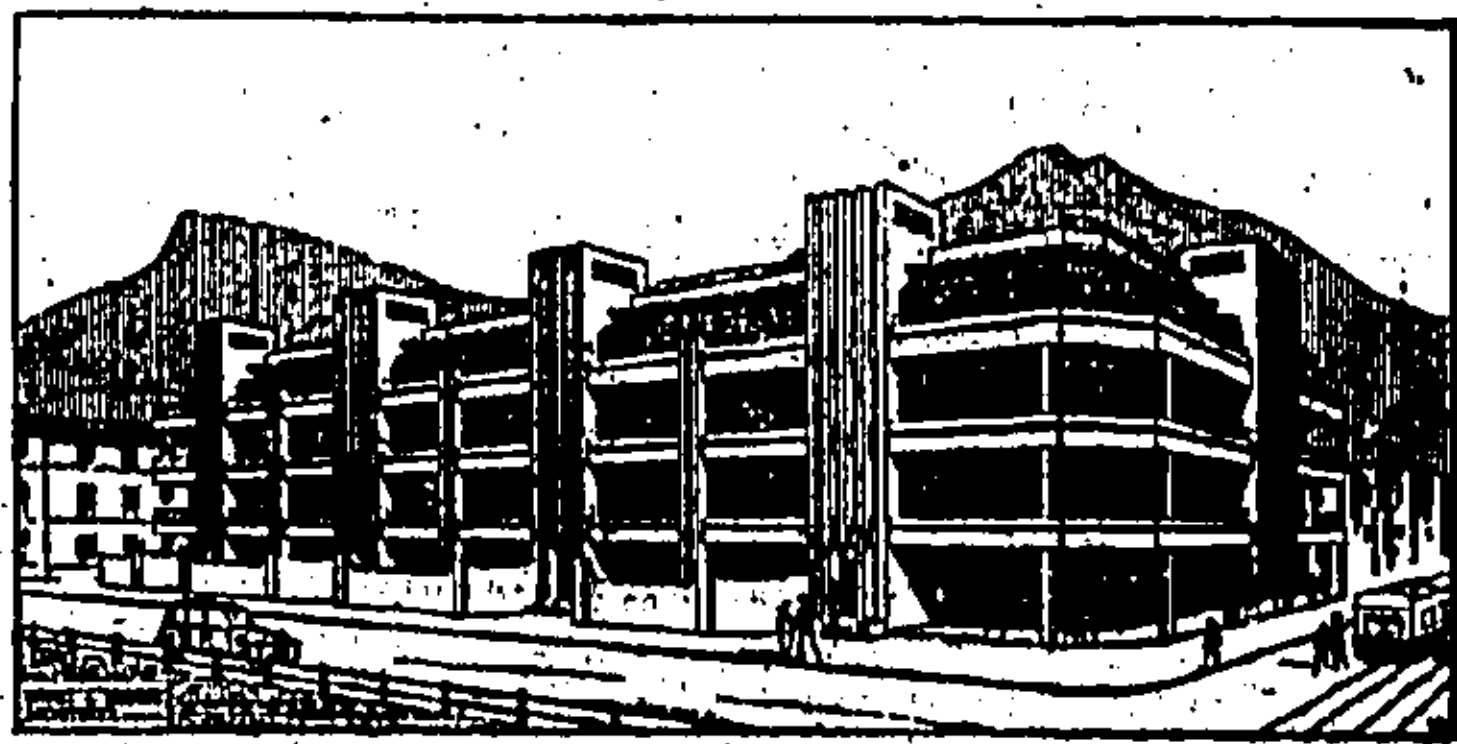
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National Organization

In the general review of tendencies which we have attempted to take during the last few days, apart from the multifarious proposals and enactments of the last year, which have been too numerous for even the general reader to follow, our contention has been that we are in a drift of events which is moving more like the slow strong current of a broad stream than the ripples of opinion that usually make up what we call politics. It does not seem to matter much what Government wants to do. The question is what they can do. And no Government dare be left behind in a backwater.

If it be true that money is only a conventional medium of exchange created by the laws of the country in which it circulates, it is quite natural that men should enquire why it should not in its daily use come more under the direct control of the Government itself. Apart from such countries as have established a formal system of State Capitalism, like Russia and Italy, the Central Bank has become the lynchpin of the finance of the British Dominions, and quite a long list of the smaller independent States. The Central Bank is both economical and efficient compared with the direct control of a popularly elected go-as-you-please of independent Boards of Directors competing with each other and following their own policies. A Central Bank does not mean State control; but no State could allow it to default, and the implicit guarantee seems to make ultimate control one step nearer. In Germany the Reichsbank has achieved a rigorous veto on transactions that would not have been dreamed of only a year or two ago, and in France much the same system has developed, — in fact in all the countries that are still on gold. The gold reserve has to be carefully locked up. In the U.S.A. the Treasury is itself the Central Bank, for it has taken over the whole of the bullion, and can make the currency note have what value it chooses. Even in England there is a veto on foreign loans except for repayment of the old loans, and the Equalization Fund has the power to control the Exchange when it wishes to do so.

Whatever ameliorations there may have been in the working of the laissez-faire theory, the basis of it was that if a man had no money to buy food he must starve. The relief of poverty has now long past the ameliorative stage and become one of the chief

functions of a well-ordered State. The logical deduction is that if public funds must be used to feed a man who has no work, the cheapest way of helping him is to find him work and pay him for it. And in England at any rate that means remunerative work. The report to what used to be called "relief work," which meant making men do something that was not necessary at all, has been abandoned as wasteful. The State grants money for the building of the big Cunarder, the "Queen Mary"; it insures exporters against loss; it creates a traffic monopoly in London, and an Electricity Grid for the whole of England and Scotland. It is quite true that each of these expedients is defended as exceptional; but each precedent makes it more difficult to resist the next proposal. Throughout the Empire, except in England, the mileage of privately owned Railways is very small indeed, and it is no bigger in Europe.

The reason is that machinery and Science have made it so easy for every country to compete, that the general conditions such as transport that affect industry have to be made as favourable as possible, and old theories have to go by the board when they involve avoidable cost. If the English Railways were run in the short-view interests of their shareholders, they would ruin their customers.

It is not to be supposed that all these undertakings, the management of which is really a strenuous profession, can be kept in the direct control of a popularly elected Parliament; but there is not the least need for that. The success of the British Broadcasting Company has suggested a similar scheme for the Cinema. The Cable Companies have amalgamated with the Wireless Companies in the same sort of organization. It would not be at all surprising to find that England had waked up some morning to realize that she had gone as far as anybody in the use of State Capital, and in Corporate organization. It all depends on whether one is thinking of names and titles and theories or of the practical working of industry.

"BEGGAR KING" OF SHANGHAI

Hans Hanson, the 40-year old Latvian known as the "King of Vagabonds in Shanghai," who has faced the First District Court over 100 times for either begging or disorderly conduct in Hongkong and Wayside Districts, was found soliciting for alms on Nanking Road last week. Officers from Central Police Station took him into custody and charged him in the court yesterday. The Judge sentenced him to serve another ten days in the goal.

HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE

PRESIDENT'S PRESENT

M. Jan Masaryk, the Czechoslovak Minister in London, was entrusted with President Masaryk's wedding present to the Duke of Kent.

It consisted of several pieces of Bohemian glass of the seventeenth century.

M. Masaryk also brought reassuring news of his father's health. Last May the President had a collapse. His right hand and one eye were affected. He could not read, write, walk or ride. As he is 84 there was some anxiety.

During the last two months the President has confounded the doctors. He can read again; he is recovering the use of his hand; he takes a long walk every day.

FRANKENSTEIN EXPLAINS

The recent reference to the prospectus of the proposed Anglo-Austrian Club has brought an explanation from Baron Frankenstein, the Austrian Minister in London.

Advocating an Austrian chateau as the most suitable building for this project, the prospectus suggested that in the ordinary hotels and pensions of Austria visitors "are only apt to see the worst side of a country and have little chance of meeting people in their own sphere."

Baron Frankenstein, whose name was quoted as a supporter, says that he gave his approval to the general idea without seeing the circular. Had the reference to the hotels and pensions been brought to his notice he would have insisted on its omission or dissociated himself from the scheme.

This explanation will be welcomed as Baron Frankenstein has the interests of his country far too much at heart to lend his name wittingly to such a clumsily worded circular.

Your Daily Smile!

Now, boys, I wish you all a happy holiday, and I hope you all come back twice as good and half as lazy.

Chorus: "Same to you, sir!"

A Bee Keeper
Pat was one day employed by a lady in the country. At tea she put a tiny bit of honey on his plate.

"Faith, ma'am," said Pat, "I see ye keep a bee."

An aunt of mine returned from India, her husband having died out there. Shortly after her return she met an acquaintance, who did not know of her loss, and presumed her husband was still in the Punjab. "How does your husband stand the heat?" he enquired.

RIZAL DAY IN HONG KONG

Mr. & Mrs. Hoover
Guests Of Honour

Mr. Charles L. Hoover, American Consul-General in Hong Kong, and Mrs. Hoover, were the guests of honour at yesterday's Rizal Day celebration when the local Filipino community gathered to do honour to the memory of Dr. Jose Protacio Rizal, the Filipino patriot, at a dinner-dance at Lane Crawford Restaurant.

At the conclusion of the tiffin Mr. L. R. Hictonso, the Chairman, addressed the large gathering, outlining the career of Dr. Rizal.

Following the address, variety concert was staged by members of the community. The opening numbers were two violin solos, "Rondo" and "Hating Gabi" played by Professor C. de la Cruz, who was accompanied by Mrs. Nura Kanis.

Mrs. E. Sarreal then sang two Filipino songs "Kahit Ano Mang Sandali" and "Nasaan Ka Irog" for which she was accompanied by Mr. N. Christobal, with a violin obligato by Mr. A. N. Daelo, composer of the former piece.

Then followed two 'cello solos played by Mr. E. A. Valeroso, entitled "The Phantom Melody" and "Saltarello." Mrs. Nura Kanis was at the piano.

The programme was brought to a close by Mr. F. Carpio with two guitar numbers, "This is my Way" and "Spanish Pandango." A dance concluded the enjoyable programme.

NEW SIGHT GIVEN TO SORE EYES MILLIONS OF WEARERS OF SPECTACLES

OPTICIANS IN ENGLAND ARE
NOT STATE CONTROLLED

(By W. E. Hardy)

LONDON. A COMMITTEE of opticians and approved society officials sat down two years ago, under Sir Richard Meller. Their object was to try and compile a register of those opticians who can safely be trusted with sight-testing. That report is now finished. Its conclusions may affect nearly one-third of the people of this country.

A Medical Officer of Health said recently that 10 per cent. of all the school children of the country have something wrong with their eyes. In London alone every year about 30,000 children swell the ranks of spectacle-wearers, now said to be about 18,000,000 strong.

Thirty years ago the number of spectacle wearers was not much more than a third of what it is now. Opticians' shops were rare. To-day there is one optician to every 9,000 people. More than 4,000,000 pairs of glasses are supplied every year.

Will we all wear spectacles in 30 years?

Relieving The Eyes

Things are not quite as bad as this question implies. The increase in spectacle wearing does not necessarily mean that people see less well. It means that good sight is more essential than it was.

Research workers recently discovered, for example, that people with normal sight were helped by wearing special glasses when doing very fine work for long periods. The glasses were designed to relieve their eyes of some of the steady strain of focusing; more and better work could be done with less fatigue.

Our grandparents shied away from glasses until they were forced to wear them, usually because they could no longer read a newspaper or do fine needlework. When they finally went to the optician's shop they chose their own glasses out of a boxful of assorted "sights." The man behind the counter gave them little or no guidance.

Glasses were things to be avoided as long as possible. The discomforts and aches of eyestrain were either endured stoically or attributed to disorders of other organs than the eyes.

Optical Instruments

To-day the optician hardly gives his clients a say in the choice of glasses. In fact, he is capable of finding what "sight" they need without them uttering a word.

The apparatus he uses is varied and ingenious. Some of his instruments are costly. One comparatively small instrument like a pair of complicated opera glasses which holds "endless chains" of trial lenses costs about £100. A set of master trial lenses in a specially designed cabinet may cost £40. This also is approximately the price paid for a device containing charts of numerals, letters and other sight-testing devices of various sizes, all illuminated through a daylight filter by light that can be increased or decreased in power.

Through a small mirror with a hole in it and a number of minute lenses, the optician looks into your eye. Standing out against a luminous orange-back-ground—the reflex from the back of the eye—he sees arteries, veins, and a pale spot which is the optic nerve's entrance.

This instrument—the ophthalmoscope—was invented by an Englishman eighty years ago. He was neither optician nor doctor, which probably explains why he failed to appreciate the significance of his invention. In consequence the credit for inventing it is usually given to a German, Von Helmholtz, whose ophthalmoscope was made two years after the first invention.

Science Of Optics

Sir Isaac Newton has usually been called the greatest of all opticians. But he was not specially concerned with that branch of optics which deals with the eyes and their sight defects. A Dutchman, Frans Cornelius Donders, laid most of the foundations of the science seventy years ago.

Recently the British spectacle-making industry has changed a great deal. Most of the spectacles

worn here used to be made abroad, mainly in Germany and America. Now the boot is on the other foot. Spectacle frame styles also are constantly changing. Once circular lenses were taboo; now they are almost universal. Priciness, popular ten years ago, are not listed in the manufacturers' catalogues to-day. In America inconspicuous glasses are now in demand. Here, horn rims are still popular.

Eye Quackery Rampant

In spite of the unquestioned importance of the work, Great Britain, practically alone among English-speaking countries, has no legislative control over the optical profession. Anybody can set up as an optician, and, if he so wishes, put a string of letters after his name to convey an impression that he has some qualifications for optical work. In consequence, eye quackery still flourishes, especially in country districts.

The typical eyesight quack usually has an accommodation address in London, and the letters after his name do not represent genuine diplomas. He arrives, with an accomplice, at a small country town that promises good results, and the first move is for the assistant to get the names and addresses of elderly people living in the town.

These people are then canvassed and told that a famous London eyesight specialist is among them for a short time. In a surprisingly large number of cases the story told by the caller is so persuasive that an appointment with the quack is arranged.

Impressing The Victim

At the appointed time the quack calls and goes through a pantomime carefully arranged to impress the victim. In a recent instance, where an eyesight quack was sentenced to a term of imprisonment on a charge of false pretences, he was found to be using a device that became obsolete forty years ago and was useless for sight-testing.

After his "examination" the quack tells his customer—usually a woman, by-the-way—that her eyes are in a serious condition and that special glasses are essential. A high price is then quoted. If the victim jibs, the price is reduced "as a special concession under the circumstances."

Cases are on record where country people have parted with every penny of their savings for glasses worth not more than a few shillings, and which, in any case, are unsuited to the wearer's eyesight.

In America, Australia, Canada and New Zealand the opticians are State registered. Consequently the public has some protection against the undoubted perils of unskilled optical attention and the unhappy consequences of wearing wrong glasses.

The lack of any State control over the optical profession in this country hardly squares with our sound case for national health; and it has been more than embarrassing to those who have had to arrange a reliable optical service for insured persons under the Additional Benefits scheme of the National Insurance Acts.

The time signal light programme will be repeated at midnight to-day to mark the end of the year 1934.



Business Man: "In order to succeed you must get people to give you trust and credit."
Youngster: "I have done that, and I find myself in debt beyond my wildest expectations!"

THE GREAT AUK

Bird That Had Lost
Power Of FlightLAST LIVING SPECIMEN
CAUGHT IN 1840

That the two specimens of the now extinct Great Auk sold at Stevens' sale rooms two days ago are to remain in this country will give great satisfaction to most of us, says Mr. W. P. Pycraft, F.Z.S., one of our greatest authorities on birds living on extinct.

For skins and mounted specimens of this giant razor-bill are very precious: probably not more than a dozen exist, either in private hands or museums. Yet once on a time the Great Auk bred in the British Islands.

The last survivor of his race was captured in St. Kilda in 1840. And as a storm unfortunately followed, the poor bird was done to death as a witch! The specimen in the British Museum of Natural History was caught in the Orkneys in 1934. Probably the last survivor of his race was the bird killed in Iceland in 1844.

Only Recently Extinct

Yet at one time there were great colonies of this bird, not merely in Britain, but also in Iceland, Greenland, and Newfoundland. But when once these caught the attention of mariners their doom was sealed, for they were ruthlessly exploited for food. English and French sailors alike resorted to these breeding-grounds, driving the helpless birds over planks into a boat, "as many as shall lade her." Here they were slaughtered and salted down.

When, later, their numbers became so reduced as to make these raids unprofitable, new enemies arose to complete their doom. For as soon as it was realised that there were very few "gare-rowl" left collectors began to round up and slay the remainder, for the sake of their skins and eggs for museums.

Doubtless large numbers of these specimens have been lost. To-day only 75 eggs are known to exist, some in private hands, some in museums. One egg, sold at this sale, was believed to have been owned by the great explorer Captain Cook; and this has now passed into the keeping of Sir Bernard Eckstein.

In shape and coloration the eggs of the Great Auk resemble those of its near relations, the guillemot and the razor-bill, which breed still in large numbers, on our coasts to-day. And like them they present a singularly wide range in coloration, no two eggs being ever quite alike, either in the ground-colour of the shell or in its markings.

Like the razor-bill the summer dress differed from that assumed at the autumn moult, and in both the beak is marked by deep grooves, lined with white.

Too Easily Caught

What made the capture of these birds so easy is the fact that they had lost the power of flight. Breeding on low, shelving shores, they could land for breeding without the aid of wings, and since save for this purpose they had no need for wings, except as flippers when under water, they gradually shrank in size, till, as wings they were practically useless.

Our guillemots and razor-bills are in no danger of a like fate, for they are, perforce, compelled to nest, throughout the greater part of their range, on the ledges of steep cliffs, which can only be reached by flying.

But once the breeding season is over these birds, like the Great Auk, put to sea, never once returning to land until the duties of rearing a family compel them.

EXECUTIONS AS
PIECE-WORKIncrease In Salary
Demanded

The Polish hangman, Braun, wants an increase in salary. He says that there are now few executions that he needs more than the \$3 15s. which he at present receives for each client.

During the six months which ended on October 28, Braun carried out only four death sentences, so he has petitioned the Ministry of Justice for higher pay.



James Dunn is in the featured role in "365 Nights in Hollywood" showing to-morrow at the King's Theatre.

PARIS WORLD'S FAIR

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Most well-informed Frenchmen admit that in the last few years France has not enjoyed the popular favour it formerly found among the people of other countries. Circumstances, political and economic, have put the French in the unpopular position of appearing to be a static drag on a dynamic world. Whether the question be disarmament, treaty revision, war debts, import quotas, or the gold standard, it is undeniable that France has been made to seem the "backward" defender of the status quo in the midst of forces working for change.

ANTIDOTE TO CRITICISM

Beyond a doubt much of the disparagement of which France has thus been the object is undeserved and due to misunderstanding. Furthermore, some of this misapprehension is now being gradually corrected. There still remains, however, a great deal of widespread disapproval, merited or not, of France's position and policies. This unpopularity has not only meant very heavy losses to French industry and commerce, but has also been a subject of serious concern to the diplomatic authorities at the Quai d'Orsay.

The coming exhibition is particularly well designed to help to remedy this situation by calling the attention of other peoples to the best qualities and capacities of the French people. These attributes include, especially, a highly developed sense of beauty, of proportion and the gift of applying this artistic sense happily to their everyday existence in such a way as to brighten and beautify its every moment.

The official title which has just been adopted for the exposition indicates its preoccupation with this side of the French national character. It is to be called: "Paris International Exposition, 1937—Art and Technique in Modern Life." Its aim is officially described as being "to prove that art can beautify and uplift life for all, that no incompatibility exists between the beautiful and the useful—that art and technique should be indissolubly linked."

The site of the exposition has been definitely chosen. It will centre around the Eiffel Tower—which will celebrate its semicentenary in 1937, the spacious gardens of the Champ de Mars and the Trocadero, on the banks of the Seine. The Trocadero itself is to be temporarily transformed from a rather unattractive "Victorian Byzantine" building into a modern structure by an effective but economical "false front."

AMERICA ON EVE OF CONGRESS

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the conservatives and deflationists are prepared to resist to the utmost, on the grounds that, if there were more money in circulation, including the bonus, it would simply be used for the repayment of old debts and therefore quickly find itself back in the bank vaults.

It is admitted, however, that the bonus is one of President Roosevelt's most difficult problems, due to the belief that more than two-thirds is in favour of its payment. The Administration, by employing strategy, hopes to compromise.

The demands of the navy are second to none, due to Japan's denunciation of the Washington treaty, which is expected to precipitate considerable discussion.—United Press.

per S. E. Levy and Company.

WHERE FROGS
WHISTLEExpedition's Queer
Finds

ANTS ON TOAST

Amusing discoveries by the Percy Sladen Zoological Expedition to the British Cameroons, West Africa, were related to the Royal Geographical Society recently by Mr. Ivan T. Sanderson, a member of the expedition.

Among the things they found were:

Frogs with hairs, claws, and eye-brows;

Frogs that whistled when dug out of holes;

Frogs that ticked like clocks; and

Frogs with black spots which turned to silver, or stripes that vanished when breathed on.

White ants fried on buttered toast and monitor lizards in curries were included in the expedition's menus, as well as "the most grotesque of all mammals, a bat with a sleek head like a horse, baleful greenish eyes, and ears like a cow."

Sprouting Table Legs
Native porters "complained bitterly if given light loads, and the only effective punishment was to make the ring-leader walk in front without any 'cargo.' He was subjected to an unending fire of jests and taunts by the others."

In this curious land, telegraph poles grew and carried the wires to high, table legs sprouted green vegetation, and an axe handle which took root and in five months grew into a "fourishing little bush."

The expedition had one grim adventure when Mr. Sanderson saw an endless drove of "driver" ants making for a hut where a colleague was lying ill.

"These ants," he said, "have been known to sweep whole villages clean, including some of their inhabitants. Our army of boys fell out of the house in response to my shouts, and filling their mouths with kerosene squirted the vanguard before throwing down lighted matches. The ants choked the fire to a depth of over six inches, but eventually the whole drove veered off."

MORE GOLD FROM
S.S. EGYPT\$100,000 Still To Be
Recovered

The Italian salvage steamer Artiglio is still recovering gold from the wreck of the Egypt off Ushant, and during September she landed at Plymouth about £30,000 worth of bar gold and sovereigns. The great bulk of the bullion has already been salvaged, and what now remains is scattered in small quantities all over the wreck, making salvage extremely difficult.

The total yet to be salvaged is estimated at about £100,000, so that with two or three reasonable working days the operations should be finished. It is expected that 98 per cent of the total will be salvaged. It is necessary to wait for favourable weather and tide conditions before working.

GOLF STARTING
TIMES

To-morrow's Pairing

The following are the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club's starting times for failing to-morrow—

OLD COURSE
9.36 a.m. L. Goldman, R. L. S. Webb,
9.40 " W. S. Hillier, W. Paterson,
9.44 " C. Bond, W. Pittendrigh,
9.48 " H. N. Williamson, W. W. C. Shevan,
9.52 " C. H. Bradley, J. S. MacLaren,
9.56 " E. Taylor, P. Collinson,
10.00 " G. Marselle, A. B. Raworth,
10.04 " S. T. Butlin, N. K. Littlejohn,
10.08 " K. S. Morrison, I. H. Geare,
10.12 " K. K. Rounds, J. W. Mayhew,
10.16 " H. F. Sommers, R. A. Rodgers,
10.20 " J. Hunter, E. MacMahon,
Caddies from Superintendent.

MAMAK HOCKEY ENCOUNTER
THIS AFTERNOON

A Mamak hockey match between the H.M.S. Cornwall and the H.M.S. Suffolk will take place at 4 o'clock this afternoon on the Naval Ground, at King's Park.

To-day's Short Story.

No Mystery

By H. A.
Manhood

FOR a number of years the Brazils, Moses and Priscilla, husband and wife by gipsy contract, had wintered snugly in the lane under the downs, their neat, well-painted caravan drawn out of the path into a space cleared of thorns and nettles by old Moses and their horse cropping meekly where it chose.

No one minded, for they were an honest pair and it was very pleasant to see them on a bright, frosty morning, the van looking like a russet fruit, rabbit-nibbled and glowing ripe, a stalk of smoke looping from the chimney, the old man and woman busy at their tasks. Moses cutting and flattening an old tin, maybe, for peg-bands or making nails in a tiny forge, and Priscilla, her crooked, wizened figure beshawled into false fatness, hissing quietly like an oster as she pegged mud from pattens or the hems of her heavy drab skirts, or, perched on a topmost step, knees spread, pounding herbs for a curry, Spanish fashion, or mixing a drench for a neighbouring cowman, for, though she could neither read nor write, she had a deep, inborn knowledge of such things.

In the years I knew them old Moses's first greeting was always the same, simple and pleasing as wine in the mouth.

A slow, astonished blink of his merry eyes and he'd spread his brown, nimble hands as if releasing a pair of birds, turning to Priscilla: "Don't he look plump currant?" and Priscilla would nod emphatically and laugh softly, as a mouse might, her small, deeply wrinkled face wrinkling still more, while Moses, after whimsical consideration of your own inquiry, would reply earnestly, his fine teeth shining white in his scrubbearded face: "Just dukkerling along we are."

And that seemed to be the simple ample truth of it and, looking at

them, it was a marvel to me that half the world wasn't aching to live as they did. A good, sane sort of life it must have been, not without difficulties and certainly not romantic since they'd always lived so, but full of renewals and ever-lastingly refreshing if one went with open eyes and no great anxiousness for possessions, as these two did.

All summer they moved up and down the country, lapping honey where few would think to find it, self-dependent and covering many hundreds of miles in their slow, quiet way, always contriving an unsentimental visit to a lovely breast of the Welsh hills where was buried Priscilla's only babe, born out of time in the beginning of their life together.

WEDNESDAY'S STORY

Wednesday's story will be "It's A Free Country," by Alma & Paul Ellerbe.

Occasionally Moses sold a bag of nails to someone who valued their rose-headed excellence, earning enough to butter their bread and please their noses as he would say, Priscilla adding to the fund by the sale or exchange for kind of simples distilled from roots garnered in a compass round, excellent and immediate cures, all of them if faith was strong, but effective still even if faith was absent, exactly as if a measure of Priscilla's own rare energy were included.

Like children they shared a fondness for a few simple sights and pleasures. They liked Southend and Land's End equally, the one for its shrimps and ample joviality, "like ants on a cake, the jokers there," and the other for its gulleries, grey mullet and pilchards and china clay mounds like God Almighty's own fine tents.

A rainbow was as good as gold in the pocket to them (they had often hurried to stand together in the tail of a bow) and a full moon in a clear sky, like the best of earth reflected in a great wise eye, pleased them deeply. Summer lightning was enjoyed because it re-tempered the mind into new appreciation of tranquillity, "blazed off old thinking corns," as Moses put it, and they liked paddling on lonely sand-bars and eating mountain cress pearled with dew.

The chime of bells spinning down like multi-coloured petals pleased them nearly as much as a sweet echo and they knew a hundred places where each could be enjoyed freely and privately. They would go thirsty rather than drink standing water and liked burning rare black bog oak in their brass-knobbed stove and drinking a hot jumper brew before bedding down.

Not much harm in folk of such simple habits you'd be ready to swear, but there were, nevertheless, a few witherbrains who mistrusted them, but one with the power and will to hurt. The few could be avoided, but it was the business and constant pleasure of the one to make trouble, and a pretty job he made of it in this case. And this was the way of it, so neat and simple that you'd be wondering how safe your own footing is.

Just a week before the Brazils returned to camp in the lane, the local constable, slow and murmurous as a pound of bubbling glue, died, as was expected, of pewter poisoning, and his place was taken by a heavy-fisted, scowling martinet by name of Spenoble, a townsmen of seedy origin with neither love nor knowledge of the country round, who began immediately a new-broom campaign against local crime, gainsting convictions for all the petty illegalities overlooked by his amiable predecessor.

Summonses sped like infuriated wasps through the parish. Fines were paid and murder contemplated, and Spenoble roamed daily farther afield, sniffing and snailing, finding the Brazils at last in their harbourage. Once, it appeared, he had been well fished by a masterful gipsy family, and his enmity for all such was fixed and lively. He knew the exact wording of all the charges which could be laid against the wanderers, and approached the caravan with the definite intention of making a case.

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Bridge Notes

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1—Mr. Moyses said that he was at a loss for a good bid here. Though there was danger that the hand might be passed with only a simple overcall, he decided to take the risk.

2—Mrs. Jaeger did not hear the opening spade bid and thought she was responding to an opening forcing bid of two clubs.

3—This was a close decision but, after all, Mr. Moyses reasoned that with his partner strong enough to bid two notrump over an adverse opening bid and a simple overcall, the penalty should be not less than 500 and might possibly be 900.

Mr. Moyses opened the diamond King, and when the Dummy was spread upon the table he saw that the situation from the stand-point of defence was not as encouraging as he had hoped. West, who had never bid, showed up with a six-card major suit headed by the Ace-Jack. Upon the lead of the King Mrs. Jaeger played the Jack, obviously a pronounced come-on card, but Mr. Moyses elected temporarily to disregard it. If the desired result was to be accomplished, his partner, when in the lead, must not be permitted to lead up to weakness in the Dummy. His next play then was the club Ace, which by inference denied the possession of the King. He then led the diamond Ace and a small diamond, giving his partner a ruff. Mrs. Jaeger was now faced with the question: Why had Mr. Moyses deliberately removed an entry from his hand? The answer, while not obvious, must be that for some reason he desired a heart lead from his partner. It could not be, then, that he held an honour in hearts or the King-Queen, as in that case there could be no advantage in such a lead coming from the North hand. If that was true, then Mr. Moyses must be void of hearts, and Mrs. Jaeger, drawing this correct inference, led a heart, which Mr. Moyses ruffed. Later a trump trick was cashed, and the contract was thus defeated two tricks—500 points—for a maximum score on the hand.

BOAT-BUILDING IN FAMOUS YARD Thames Prospects Are Bright This Year

It was reported last month that prospects for the winter were bright at Thornycrofts yard at Hampton-on-Thames, where there is now a number of launches and cruisers of various types under construction for owners both at home and abroad.

It was further anticipated that substantial order would be placed for similar craft before the end of the year, so that new owners would have their boats ready in time to make the most of next season.

During his recent visit to London, H. H. The Nawab of Rampur ordered a 28-ft. river launch from Thornycrofts. This craft will be of a luxurious type, and is now under construction at the firm's boat yard.



George Rice, airmail pilot, lives up to the highest traditions of the service as he rides to town on a wagon carrying his precious load of mail after his plane crashed in the mountains 50 miles from Los Angeles. Though painfully injured, Rice guarded the mail until rescued.

NO MYSTERY (Continued From Page 9.)

Old Moses was in happy mood that morning. He had an affection for the secluded, bird-gay lane and for the few kindly folk thereabouts. The cross planted a year ago in the brook chining under the lane had taken root and grown like wool on mutton, and he had arranged to trim an adjoining copse in exchange for winter firing and a daily pull of milk.

The air, sweet and soft from the downs, brought youth to his thoughts, so that he couldn't help singing a bit as he chipped and shaved a handle for a billhook he had forged from an old cart-spring. Aware of the constable, he grinned cheerfully, bobbing his grizzled head, calling jocularly to Priscilla: "Hey, wife! Get the pick and spade... you know the size hole we usually dig for a policeman."

That was all he said. For years he had greeted constables in this merry manner and they had been amused. But not so Sprenoble. It was true that he smiled a bit, thinking that here was a rope with which to hang the cunning old —

Without a word he stamped away, prepared to swear that Moses had uttered violent threats and swung the billhook with murderous intent. "Hey, wife! Get the pick and spade..." Easy enough to give a desperate flavour to such words, especially when the bench shared his distaste for the gipsy breed.

Within an hour he was back with a sergeant and a warrant and old Moses, angered and astonished, was lugged off to gaol, the wood chips still in the folds of his old cord jacket. Not even time to lace his boots!

Bail was not allowed, and the next morning he was brought before a bench of peculiarly dour-looking magistrates. Buttering the way with many unctuous "May it please your Worships..." Sprenoble gave evidence on oath, briskly identifying Moses as belonging to a tribe responsible for many past assaults, a tribe of everlasting possums, a tribe of sheep-maulers. A real chom and sheep-maulers. A real dangerous character whose threats were never idle ones, he declared, and the billhook was produced in support of his words.

As was expected, the shining, razor-edged blade shocked the meek, whiskered bench. Moses, a shrewd judge of character, spat sadly and explained that he had used the words in a friendly and jocular way, at which the court could not prevent a gulp of laughter.

With pursed lips and much nodding, the magistrates conferred solemnly with the clerk; the superintendant winked openly at Sprenoble, and the verdict was announced by the chairman: "Grave case... Three months' hard labour."

I was away at the time on a walk to find some wooden chains, and returning at dusk days later I was truly astonished to find Priscilla seated on my step, tightly wrapped in her shawl against the first chill of night, her face shiny with despair, seeming smaller than ever. She had been waiting all day, waiting by permission to draw the caravan into a corner of the orchard. The had ordered her out of the lane and there was nowhere else she could go.

In a hundred brief words her tale was told. Couldn't anything be done? I felt a bit sick, and said I'd see and then I went and led the sighing horse into the drive, backing the caravan into a grassy, sheltered corner, turning the horse loose, trying to think.

Of course, nothing could be done. The people and talked at justice,

but they weren't impressed: "Just one of these writing fellows, you know. No sense of proportion." I could see it in their faces, and politeness was an effort.

When I returned with reports of failure to Priscilla she thanked me and tried to hide her bitter disappointment. Understanding the terrible loneliness of her heart I ranted a bit against God and His people, but presently she shamed me by her acceptance, and we talked again, quietly and calmly.

Not once in 52 years had she been separated from Moses, she told me simply, and her hands came tightly together with the pain of knowledge. I understood love then for what it is. They'd come together at Barnstaple Fair when she was 17 and he was 23, and he'd been good to her. All through they'd respected each other. Disagreed a bit maybe sometimes, but never so much that they hadn't come together again for the next meal. Go knows what they'd do to his lively soul in that place.

She asked me to write a letter, which I did, just to say she was all right and God keep him the same, and she folded the paper her own way with a silk handkerchief or two, for he'd a sensitive nose. Watching her then and afterwards I thought she would wither to her death, so thin and frail she seemed, but now I shiver to think of the fierce strength there must have been in her mind.

Sprenoble passed once when I was talking to her; the leaves were down and he could see us clearly as we him and his bunchy smile. But Priscilla didn't blink or lose a word. He was waiting in the lane when I crossed presently to the farm for milk.

"Excuse me, sir, but is it wise? If you should happen to miss anything just let me know."

And off he swaggered in full complacency, while I rocked with shame and confusion to think that the same life was in us both.

A month went by and through a friend, a lawyer, I gained word of Moses. He was quiet, taking punishment well; that was the way they put it. "Taking punishment well!" My God! I found other words for Priscilla and she was comforted and said she wanted something to pass the time, the days seemed so long; a bit of gardening maybe if I'd lend her the tools, some washing to do, or mending, anything.

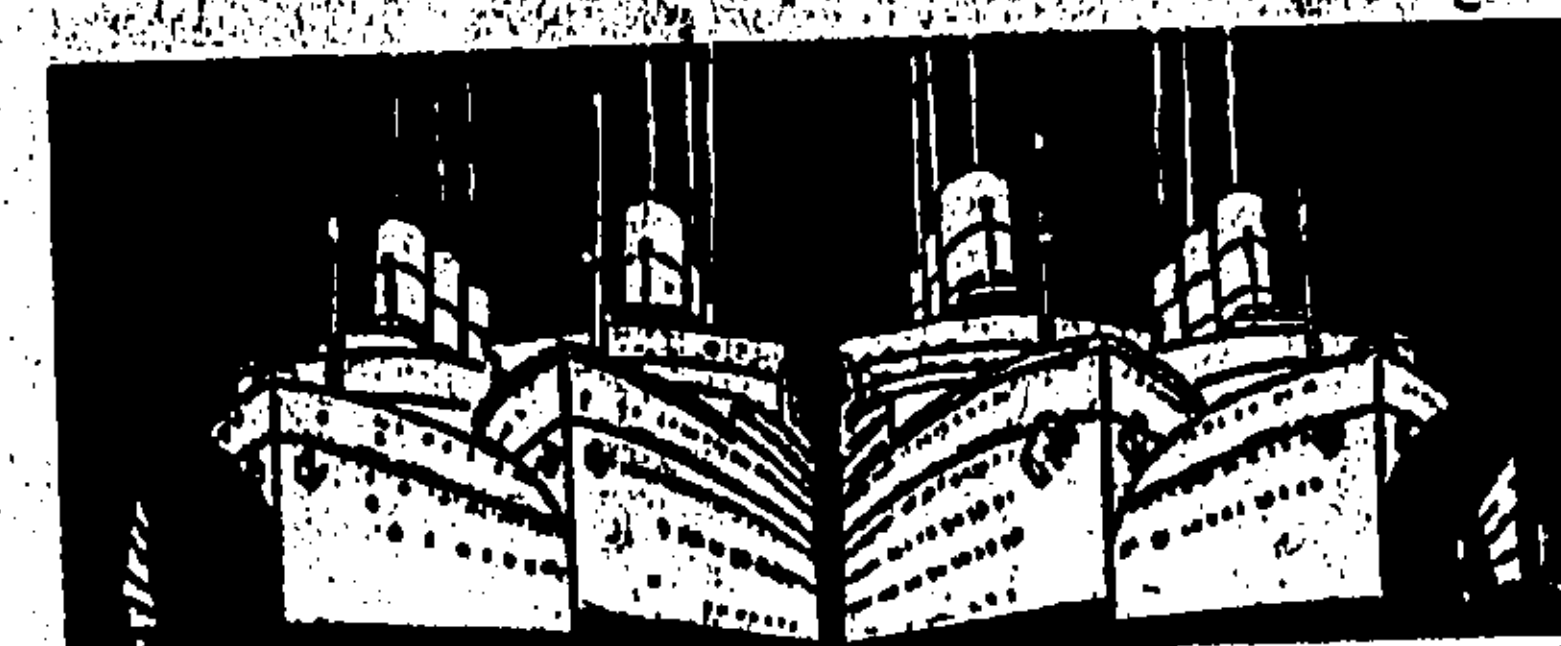
So I gave her a light sort of spade and a boiler to be boiling water, some wool too to be knitting warmth for Moses, although she didn't use it that way. She turned it into stockings and scarves for me, book covers and a shawl for my mother, and I couldn't say no since it pleased her, kept her mind aloft.

I gave her a spaniel pup for company, a neat liver and white bitch, but she'd too much sense to be wasting patience on it. I remembered too she asked for a big-lettered calendar and how difficult it was to get one so late in the year; but I managed to find one, and when she had it she tore off a leaf morning by morning and burnt it, spitting always on the curling ash as if to drive it deeper into the past. The horse grew fat with grass and corn and the bruised fruit thrown from the apple shed, but Priscilla remained like a bud touched by frost, withered but painfully alive.

And then, suddenly, Sprenoble disappeared, clean as smoke. Not a sign of him anywhere. He'd left his home late one night for his usual patrol and was never seen again. Just like that!

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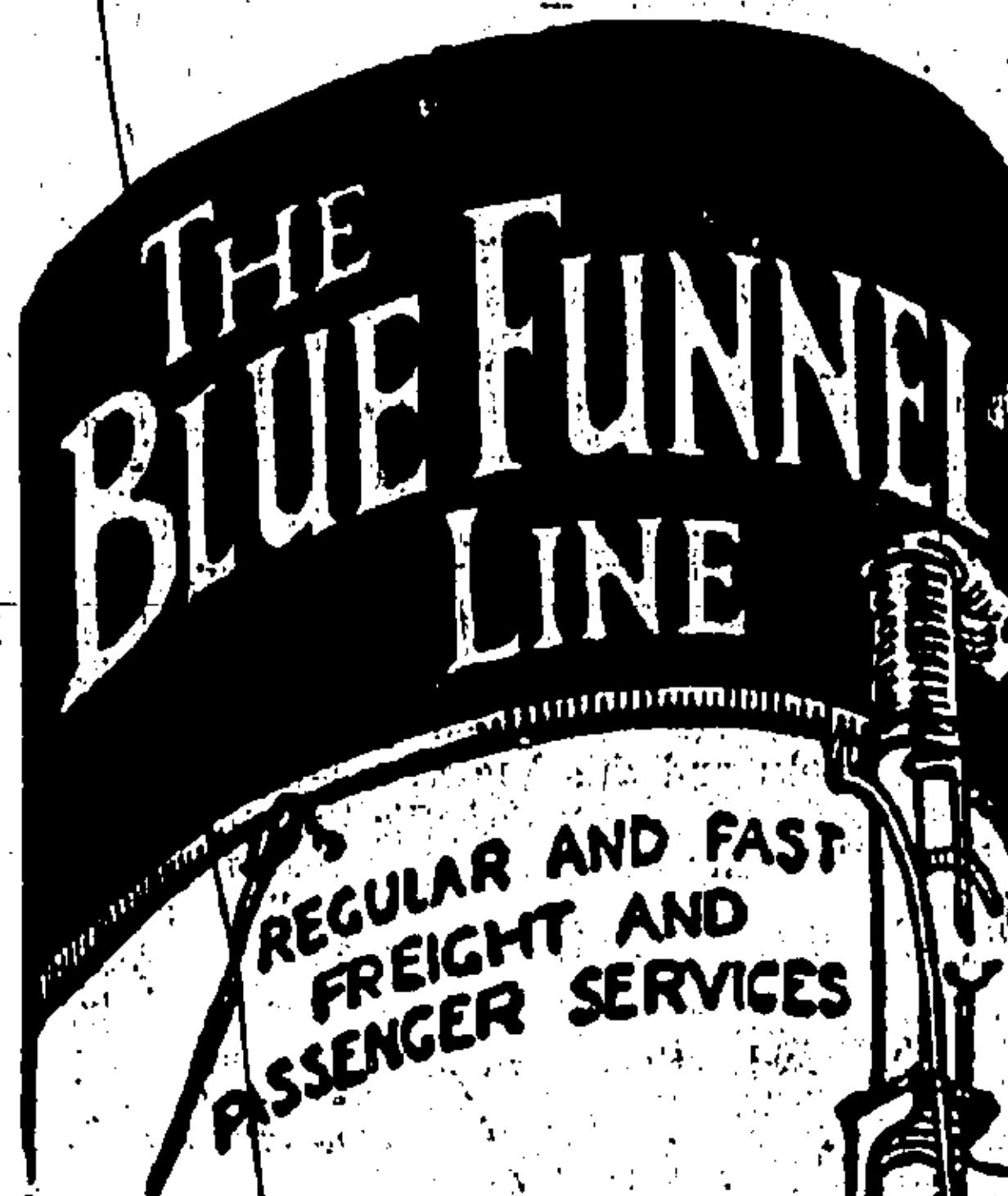
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NO MYSTERY (Continued from Page 10)

For a week the district gaped and seethed; old sins were uncovered, but not Sprenoble, and finally the many seekers retired in disgusted puzzlement; more than a little annoyed with the man for causing so much bother. Naturally Priscilla was suspect. They questioned her at awful length but met only an unwinking hardness.

I was able to vouch for her movements and indicate that she was in much too weak and forlorn a state to be troubled with such an ugly matter, recommending wider enquiry. Sprenoble had earned the dislike of many; why not question someone nearer his own home?

So they had to account of the "One Constable" for remembrance," he explained, and made me promise as I loved them both never to move it or let it be moved. "Else 'twould be the death of someone maybe."

Imagining a superstition I promised cheerfully enough and then he gave me the nails, a box full of mixed sizes very satisfying in their shapeliness and similar, he told me, to those used in Jerusalem. I thanked him as well as I could and he took my hand in his two and looked at it as if reading it, shaking it well before turning to lead the waiting horse into the lane. "Priscilla came behind him with a hasty kiss upon the cheek and ran, tearful after Moses as if afraid that she might lose him again."

Very lonely the orchard seemed for days after they had gone and I went often to look at the apple tree, netting it round against the rabbits, pleased with it, imagining many seasons of fine fruiting, till the day when my wedding prong, driven unnecessarily deep, turned up a metal button attached to a rag of burnt blue serge and I knew then that I should never have appetite for fruit from that particular tree, no matter how fine it might be.

THE END.

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LONDON'S PAST

Some Curious Gaps In Its Records

Although London is rich in records and a great deal of its vanished life may be reconstructed, there are surprising gaps in our knowledge. It is surprising to discover, for example, that though we have many pictorial representations of the wooden ships which were launched from Deptford dockyard, to obtain the full plans of a ship of three hundred years ago is no easy matter. It is surprising to learn that St. Paul's Cathedral, detailed in the 17th century, would the great structure. And as surprising to know that the vast work of preparing complete drawings was left to a private individual—Mr. Arthur Poley, a lover of old London and an architect.—G.G.

Cinema Notes

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"SMARTY"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

"Smarty," the story of a rotating wife who furnishes some of the strangest and most hilarious marital tangles imaginable, is now showing at the Alhambra Theatre with Joan Blondell and Warren Williams in the leading roles. The plot, based on the play by Hugh Herbert, concerns a young bride, beautiful but irritating, who longs to be crushed and mauled and beaten up in true cave-man style by her love mate. Joan Blondell plays the part of the beautiful, but spoiled, wife, who goes from the arms of one husband to another and back again, while Warren Williams and Edward Everett Horton have the roles of the husbands. Both are too soft with her, but she gets a thoroughly satisfactory beating before the curtain goes down. Others in the cast include Frank McHugh, Claire Dodd, Joan Wheeler, Virginia Sale and Leonard Carey.

"BRITANNIA OF BILLINGS-GATE"—STAR THEATRE

Violet Loraine, the noted British stage actress, makes her initial appearance in the talking pictures, in the British-Gaumont film, "Britannia of Billingsgate," now showing at the Star Theatre. Miss Loraine, who is best remembered for her famous song "If I Were the Only Girl in the World," acquits herself with the same easy assurance that made her the idol of the public during the Great War. Supporting Miss Loraine are Gordon Barker, England's premier Cockney comedian, Ray Hammond, John Mills, Driscilla Wills and Anthony Holley.

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Popular interest in Dumas' tale of hidden treasure, "The Count of Monte Cristo," has been revived by the story told by some Corsican fishermen of a discovery made by them when visiting the little island of Monte Cristo, off the coast of Italy. The island, which was long uninhabited, is now used as a penitentiary agricultural colony.

The fishermen relate how while sheltering from a gale on the shores of the island they came upon several gold coins of the eighteenth century near the ruins of the watch tower.

This is apparently not the first discovery which has seemed to authenticate the Monte Cristo legend. The quests for treasure have been renewed at frequent intervals, and in the light of the most recent discovery, which is thought to provide a more definite clue than any previous one, an organized search expedition is now under consideration.

KUNG DRAWS UP NEW LAWS ON SILVER IMPORTS

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5.—Certificates must guarantee that the silver is for transportation within the country.

HORSE RACING IN S. CALIFORNIA

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ARCADIA, CALIF., Dec. 25.—A crowd of 50,000 packed the new track here to-day to see the inaugural of the first horse racing season in Southern California in 25 years. It was only recently legalized.

High Lee, Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney's brown filly, won the Christmas Day Stakes, the feature event, covering the mile in one minute and 37 seconds. Chic Toney was second and Riskulus was third.

—Associated Press.

STOCK EXCHANGE EXEMPTIONS

S.E.C. Grant Extension Until February 1

SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.—New York, To-day.

The Securities Economic Commission has extended until February 1 the temporary exemption of 14 smaller stock exchanges, including those in Honolulu and the Philippines.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation has agreed to withhold the order cutting the interest rates of non Federal Reserve banks until new legislation is obtainable.

United Press, per S. E. Levy and Company.

SIAMESE NAVAL OFFICERS TO RECEIVE JAPANESE TUITION

The Bangkok correspondent of the Tokyo Asahi reports that the Siamese Navy has arranged with the Nippon Yusen Kaisha and other Japanese shipping companies to receive Japanese tuition.

"CRIME" WORTH THE PUNISHMENT

Archbishop's Story At Leeds Luncheon

"No man is a criminal and nothing else," said the Archbishop of York, Dr. Temple, in an address to the Leeds Luncheon Club on the ethics of penal action. Each criminal should be treated, he continued, in accordance with what there was in him waiting to be realized.

It was commonly said that the first element of punishment was retribution, but he repudiated that. The notion that a man who had done wrong ought to suffer for the sake of striking a balance seemed to him to have no foundation.

Dr. Temple, discussing the problem of deterrence from crime, said he once had to set a schoolboy an imposition. He asked the boy afterwards if the delinquency had been worth the imposition. After meditation, the boy remarked, "Yes, just, I think." (Laughter).

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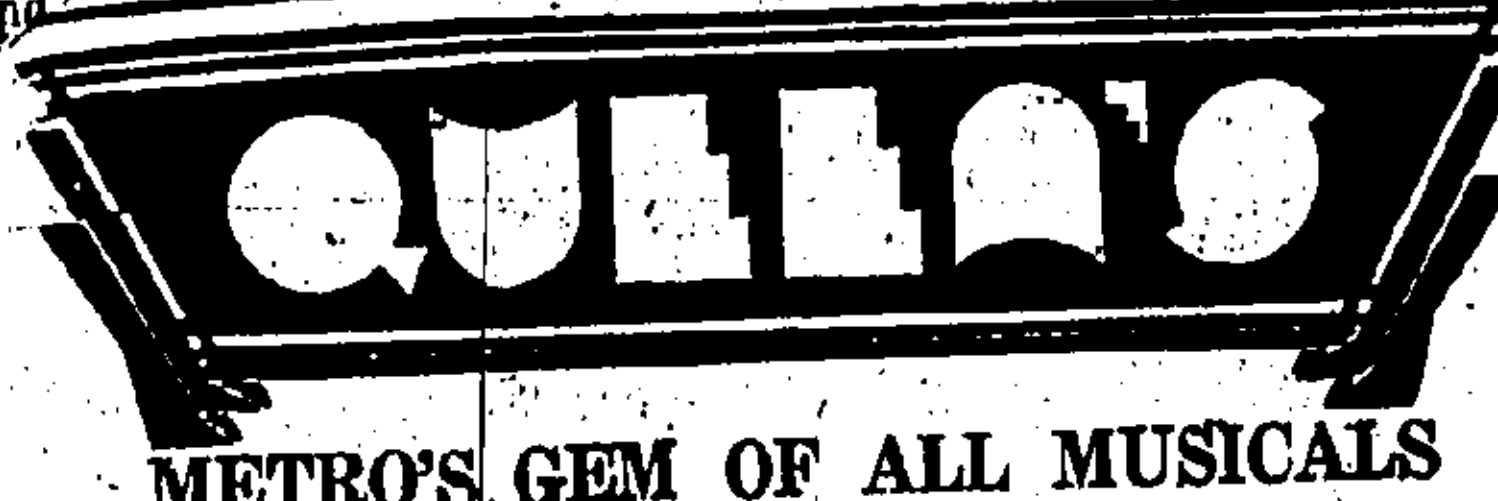
GOVERNMENT OPTIMISM.

The Government is optimistic, due to the firm rising of commodities and record holiday business.

It is authoritatively announced from Washington that the Administration is abandoning its efforts to place crude oil production under Federal control, due to the industry's overwhelming opposition.

The Petroleum Administrative Board has reported to Mr. Harold L. Ickes, Secretary of the Interior, the difficulties the oil industry are faced with, while a New York report reveals the best statistical position in years, due to restricted illegal production and the termination of the United Press.

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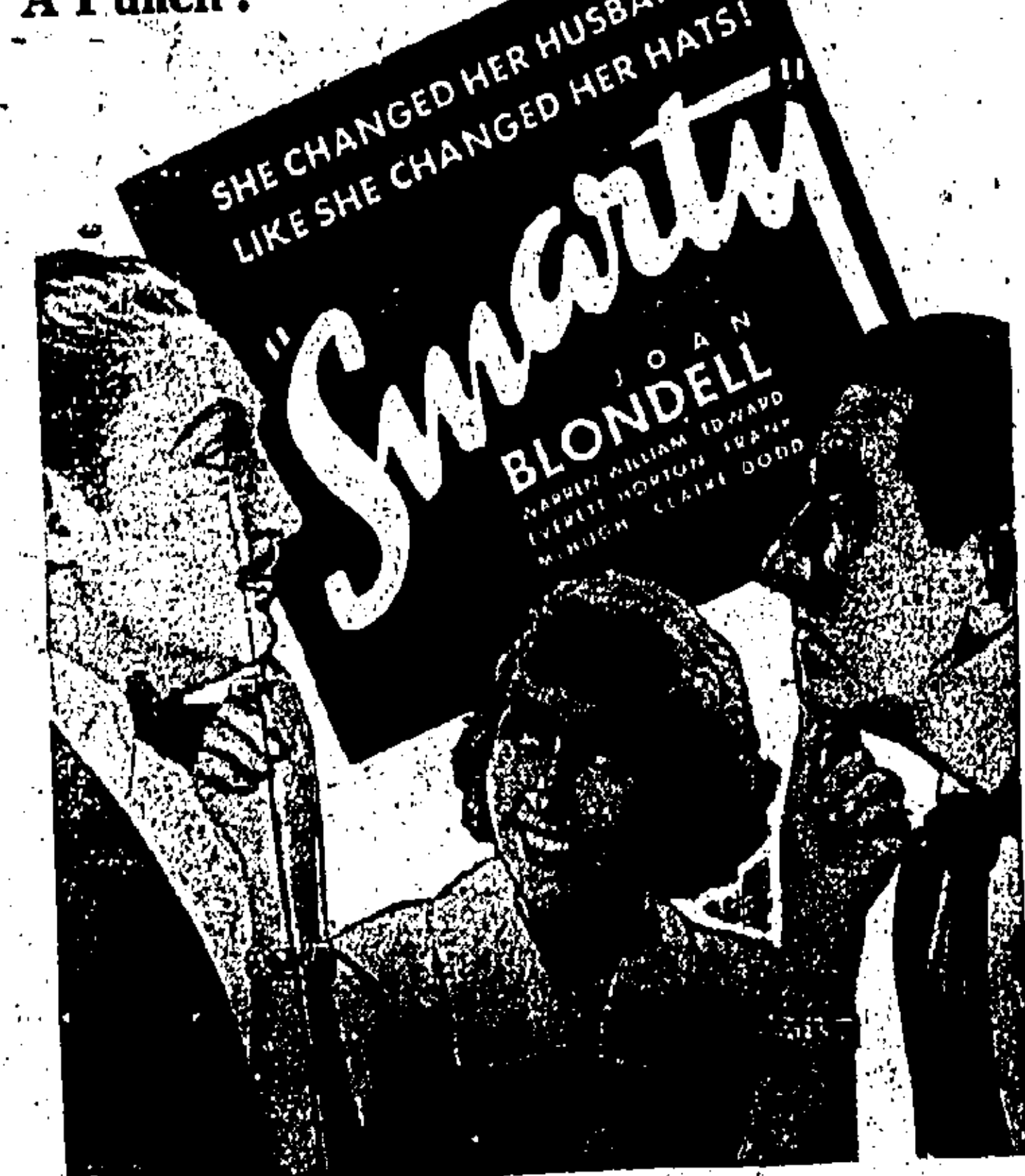
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